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PREFACE.

Some years ago, while engaged on my edition of the Paston Letters, I was anxious to examine as far as possible every original source of information for the reigns of Henry VI. and Edward IV.; and, having found some unedited matter relating to those reigns in two MSS. in the Lambeth Library, I recommended them to the Council of the Camden Society for publication. My proposal was at once agreed to; but in the meantime, a more interesting MS. having presented itself relating to the same period, the work was kept back to make way for The Historical Collections of a Citizen of London, which appeared in 1876. I have, however, steadily kept in view the fulfilment of my original promise to the Society; and the result is that I have been led to do somewhat more than I originally contemplated. For it will be seen that the present volume, besides containing contributions from the two Lambeth MSS. above referred to, includes an unpublished chronicle of the same period, from a MS. in the College of Arms. Moreover, I had scarcely begun to examine the work seriously, when I found that it was quite impossible to omit the bulk of John Stowe's Memoranda in the Lambeth MS. 306; and, although they extend to a much later period, these also have been inserted.

But I must now speak of this MS. more particularly, as it furnishes the greater part of the materials of this work.

MS. 306 in the Lambeth Library is a stout folio volume in an ancient ornamental binding, now very much worm-eaten. The CAMD. SOC.

back has been renewed; but the two wooden boards covered with stamped leather preserve their original appearance. The clasps, however, which once held them together, are gone, the brass nails alone remaining in the one cover, and part of the ornamental fittings on which they clasped still existing in the other. The design on each cover consists of lozenge-shaped compartments filled with foliated ornaments and a framework parallel with the edges, in which the Beaufort portcullis, a branch of oak with acorns, a crowned lion and a dragon, are discernible. It is quite evidently a Tudor binding.

The contents of the volumes are various in character. handwritings are partly of the fifteenth and partly of the sixteenth century. The short Chronicle printed in this volume stands at the beginning. It was probably penned in the reign of Edward IV. not long after the date to which it comes down. Marginal notes, however, have been added to the text in a hand of Henry VIII.'s time, and the text itself is occasionally corrected with additions and insertions in the same hand. Where these corrections are important they will be found noted in footnotes in this volume. The same writing also can be traced in a number of other articles throughout the volume, chiefly of the nature of medical receipts, and in some notes on the inside of the cover, which refer to the dates of events as late as the middle of the reign of Henry VIII. It must have been during the time of this penman that the MS. was bound; for several of his marginal notes in the chronicle are mutilated, owing to the edges of the paper having been cut by the binder; yet it is clear that he wrote the memoranda inside the cover after the book was bound.

The Short Chronicle, though it looks like one, is really three short chronicles written or transcribed consecutively by the same pen. The first is a very brief abridgment of the well-known

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Chronicle of the Brute, beginning the history of Albion with the fabled Albina, and ending in the first year of Henry IV. This composition, it is almost needless to say, is absolutely destitute of historical value; but as "the Brute" itself has never yet been edited, and is consequently inaccessible to all but students of black letter and readers of mediæval MSS., this epitome of what was once the most popular history of England may not be without interest. One point which may strike the reader as curious, and which might even be worth a little investigation, if any one could afford to spend some time in the comparison of various MSS., is the considerable addition here made, through transcribers' errors and otherwise, to the list of mythical kings in Geoffrey of Monmouth. Thus we have "Gynder" instead of "Guiderus," "Grandobodian" instead of "Gorbonian," "Hesydere" for "Elidurus," "Higamus" for "Vigenius," and a number of other aliases which are certainly quite as legitimate names as their prototypes for utterly unreal personages. The most curious transformation perhaps is that of Aurelius Ambrosius into Aurylambos.

Immediately following the abridged "Brute" we have a copy of Lydgate's verses on the Kings of England, showing some slight variations from the text printed in the "Collections of a London Citizen."

After which comes one of the regular city chronicles, beginning with the keepers and bailiffs of London in the time of Richard I., and a register of mayors and sheriffs from the first institution of the mayoralty in the time of King John. It is in this composition, and of course in the latter part of it only, that the real historical value of the work consists; for down to the reign of Henry V. the record of each mayor's year is a very bald one, and contains nothing that is not found elsewhere. The catalogue of civic officers itself however may possibly be of some slight value; for

amid the many corruptions of names given more correctly elsewhere appear to be some genuiue *aliases*, such as the name of Richard Soperlane, sheriff in the 27th year of Edward I., who is commonly known as Richard de Refham.

Opposite the name of each mayor are given in the margin, as shown during the reign of King John at pages 32 and 33, the year of our Lord corresponding to his year of office, and a Roman numeral in the case of mayors who had served more than once, indicating whether it was for the first, second, third, or what later time he was then mayor; but, as these numbers are added by a different hand, and are moreover practically useless and often very inaccurate, I have not thought it necessary to give more than a specimen of them at the beginning.

It does not appear that this chronicle has ever been referred to as a source of historical information. Yet the MS seems at one time to have belonged to Stowe the Chronicler, who has made copious memoranda on the blank leaves of the volume. There are also pencilled notes in some places in a hand of the time of James I. or Charles I., showing that it had attracted the attention of at least one antiquary in that age of historical research. But beyond this we have no evidence that it has been consulted by any one, and even Stowe has not made such use of it in his Chronicle that we can distinctly say he derived his information on any point from this one particular source. In fact it seems rather as if he had found little in it that he could make use of save what was common to this and other chronicles, and therefore neglected to refer to it.

Such might very well have been the impression even of a great historical collector in those days, whose aim was rather to obtain a complete outline of English history than to fill in details and illustrative matter. Nevertheless the latter part of this chronicle

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has all the value of an original and independent authority for the reigns of Henry VI. and Edward IV., at least from the time of Jack Cade's rebellion to the year of Edward's marriage with Elizabeth Woodville, in which it comes to an end. And on careful examination it will be found that this chronicle contains facts of some importance that have been passed over by other writers, to some of which I have already called attention in other publications. For one thing, this chronicle states positively as a fact a thing which is not set forth in any of our histories, and which I myself maintained several years ago only as a matter of inference, viz. that Cade's pardon was invalidated in consequence of the discovery that his real name was not Mortimer; a so that it would seem his pretence of high birth was generally believed in till after the insurrection in London had been appeared. There is certainly something marvellous in the fact that he was able to maintain false pretensions so long-especially when we consider the formidable dimensions of the movement in which he took the lead. It was not only that all the gentry of Kent followed his standard, but even the King's own followers told him plainly, that, unless execution were done upon the traitors who were so unpopular, they too would desert to the eaptain.b The misgovernment that provoked the insurrection was, in fact, generally felt to justify pretty strong measures by way of remonstrance. But, this being so, the wonder is all the greater that the remonstrants should have put themselves under the leadership of a man whose true character was so ill

^{*} Fortnightly Review, New Series, xlvi. 448. I was able, however, afterwards to cite the positive testimony of this chronicle in the Introduction to the first volume of the Paston Letters, p. lv.

^b "And the Kinge came to the Blacke Hethe with his lordys. They hirynge of this jorney anone the lordis meyne went togeder and said, but the kynge wolde do excussyon on suche traytors as were named, else they wolde turne to the capteyn of Kent." (p. 67.)

known to them. That there must have been collusion on the part of some of the Kentish gentry seems past a doubt. By setting up a pretender they avoided incurring the highest responsibility themselves.

Little need be said about minute details, such as the disputed question whether Cardinal Kemp went along with Bishop Waynflete to the interview with Cade at Southwark after the battle on London Bridge. This is the statement in Hall's Chronicle, but as Fabyan, an earlier authority, states that the cardinal, being then Lord Chancellor, sent pardons under the great seal to Cade and his followers, it seemed doubtful whether Hall was not here in error. Our chronicle, however, confirms Hall's statement.

"And forthe withe went the Chaunseler to the capteyne and sessed him and yave him a chartur and his men another, and so [they] withdrowe hem homward."

It has also been a point of controversy among local antiquaries whether Cade was captured in Sussex or in Kent. Of course Iden's jurisdiction as Sheriff of Kent did not extend into Sussex; and this fact may have led to a general impression that he was taken in Kent. Thus in the text of our chronicle it was originally written:—

"And so the xiij day of Jule John Cade was take in Kentt."

But the Tudor corrector had certainly obtained more perfect information on the subject, and altered the passage thus:—

"And so one Alexandre Iden, a squyre of Kent, toke hym in a garden yn Sowthsex, the xiij day of Jule."

In fact there seems little doubt that even if Iden was at this time really Sheriff of Kent (which is scarcely probable, all things considered, within a fortnight after the murder of Sheriff Crowmer^a)

^a William Wyrcestre, after mentioning the retreat of the rebels to Rochester, says only, "Et super hoc pustea codem anno Alexander Iden factus est in officio vice-comitis."

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he pursued the traitor a considerable distance into the neighbouring county.

The English Chronicle, edited for the Camden Society by Mr. Davies, says distinctly that Cade was pursued into "the wood country beside Lewes;" and Gregory states that he was captured in the Weald of Sussex.^a But without going quite so far south as Lewes local traditions and other evidences seem to show that he was apprehended in a garden at Heathfield, in the very middle of the county.^b

It is important to observe that the alteration in the text here made by the Tudor corrector is in exact agreement with Fabyan's Chronicle, and very likely Fabyan was the authority he relied on. Nevertheless the exact date of Cade's capture, which Fabyan did not know, is supplied even by the original text of our chronicle, and is preserved by the corrector.

In the 33rd year of Henry VI, we meet with the following piece of information:—

"And this yere the Kynge of Scottys with the rede face layde sege to Berwyke bothe by water and londe. But he was dryve thensse, and all his ordenaunce and vitayle that was on the watir syde lefte behynde them."

King James II. of Scotland, as we are informed by Lesley, "was called James withe the firye face, be ressoun of ane bread reid spott quhilk he had upon ane of his cheikis." But I find no mention of this siege of Berwick in any other old chronicle, except this Lambeth MS. It is however confirmed by some minutes in the Privy Council Proceedings.

a Collections of a London Citizen, 194.

^b The question whether the capture took place in Kent or Sussex is very fully discussed in Furley's *History of the Weald of Kent*, ii. 386-396; where the author, notwithstanding his original prepossession in favour of Kent, decides that it must have been in Sussex.

c Lesley's Hist. of Scotland, 11.

d Nicolas's Pricy Council Proceedings, vi. 248-9.

In the 34th year also we meet with a new fact, viz. the arrest of an alderman and mercer of London named Cauntelowe, who was summoned before the King's Council and imprisoned, as an accessory in the attack on the houses of the Italian merchants. This is, doubtless, the William Cantelowe who afterwards captured Henry VI. in a wood, and brought him to King Edward. He is mentioned in various accounts before this date as having dealings with the Crown, at one time as conveying money over sea for bringing Queen Margaret to England, at another time for supplying the Castle of Cherbourg with gunpowder when it was in the hands of the English.

The outrage in which Cantelowe was accused of taking part was one of those occasional outbursts of jealousy and dislike towards foreigners which are met with at intervals in the early annals of London. The circumstances of the case are related by Fabyan, and the execution of two of the rioters is alluded to in the Paston Letters.^c But some addition has recently been made to our knowledge of the matter by the publication of Gregory's Chronicle and the Calendar of Venetian State Papers.^e The formidable character of the outbreak may be judged from the fact that the Italian merchants were compelled to quit London, and take up their abode at Winchester and Southampton. Their withdrawal in all probability produced a sensible effect upon the commerce of the city; for they made a bye-law among themselves, that no individual merchant of Northern Italy should henceforth go to London and trade there. This ordinance the signory of Venice ratified by a decree of the Senate, and prohibited, under a heavy fine, all Venetian vessels

^a Hearne's Fragment at the end of Sprott, 292. Fabyan, 654.

^b Stevenson's Wars of the English in France, i. 446, 502.

^c Vol. i. p. 387 (new ed.)

d Collections of a London Citizen, 199.

e Vol. i. Nos. 331, 339.

from visiting the port of London. Nevertheless, if our chronicle be right, some of the Lombards, at least, must have returned to the city; for next year another affray between them and the mercers is recorded, which led to the arrest of eight and twenty mercers' men, who were first committed to Windsor Castle, and afterwards brought to the King's presence. But it may perhaps be doubted whether this is is not a misdated account of the same riot copied from some other source.

After this, in the 37th year, we have "A great fray between the city of London and men of court, which were driven with the archers of the city from the Standard in Fleet Street to their Inns, the 13th day of April." This is another addition to our knowledge of the times. There were plenty of "frays" going on elsewhere from time to time, and even the city chroniclers forgot to tell us of this one. It is remarkable that Alderman Tayllour was summoned to Windsor to answer for it, along with some others who were implicated, and that they remained in prison till Hewlyn was mayor, when they were released at his intercession. The mayoralty of Hewlyn began in 1459, about the same time as the parliament of Coventry, in which the Yorkists were attainted. But, after a sweeping Act against great political opponents, the Court could well afford to relax its severity against a handful of citizens, whom it had already detained long in prison.

It is impossible to dwell on minute points of information supplied by this chronicle, the significance of which could only be made apparent in an elaborate history of the period. But, taken along with the other contents of this volume, it certainly adds somewhat to the meagre outline of events given by William of Worcester and Fabyan, especially in the first four years of Edward IV.—a period in which all the three MSS. here edited are more or less important. And though this chronicle, perhaps, of all the three contains the

least amount of positively new matter, it may be sufficient to refer to what it says of the arrest of Henry VI. by the Earl of Warwick at Islington, to show its value as an independent authority.

A few words, perhaps, may suffice as to the other historical matter printed from the same MS. as the chronicle. Articles ranging in date from the siege of Calais by Edward III. to the middle of the reign of Queen Elizabeth certainly seem a little out of place in a volume intended mainly to illustrate fifteenth-century history. But the account of the retinues at the siege of Calais appeared not to have been printed before, and, as Stowe's memoranda and transcripts were important even for the period to which I had proposed to limit this publication, it would have been unpardonable to suppress those relating to his own time, which are the most interesting of them all.

It is quite unnecessary to expatiate on the value of these materials. The first, which is styled a proclamation made by Jack Cade, but which seems rather the declaration put forth by his followers of the causes of their revolt, is a thing of which the importance is sufficiently obvious. Yet it has never been printed at full length even by Stowe himself, though he has cited in his Chronicle another version, or perhaps another manifesto, in which some of the articles are nearly the same. The satirical dirge which follows upon Jack Napes (or the Duke of Suffolk) is also better known in another and shorter version. The account of the christening of Prince Arthur has not, I think, been published before, though another description of the same ceremony is printed in Leland's Collectanea.

These and other matters had the laborious historian carefully transcribed from older MSS. But in addition to this he has added in his own hand memoranda of occurrences which happened in his own time and mostly within his own experience. Of these a good number are recorded in his Chronicle or Book of Annals nearly in

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the same words; but with them are mixed up many other matters, which, either as being of less public importance or perhaps in some eases not altogether safe to comment upon, he did not think fit to print. Thus in 1562 we have an account of a certain Lady Cary (a relation of Queen Elizabeth herself, though who she was precisely I have not been able to discover) being imprisoned along with other ladies in the Fleet for allowing a priest to say mass at her house in Fetter Lane.^a This was evidently a matter on which it would not have been politic to comment, and nothing about it is found in the printed Annals. An equal silence is preserved about the attempt of the Margrave of Baden and his wife to escape in disguise from their creditors.^b No wonder, when the host of unpaid tradesmen, the butcher, baker, tailor, and such like, who endeavoured to prevent their escape, were ordered to the Fleet and the Marshalsea for their pains, that John Stowe did not see it to be his duty to record the circumstance in print!

On the religious condition of the times these memoranda of Stowe reflect very considerable light, and cannot fail to be read with interest in connection with the controversies of our own day. The accession of Queen Elizabeth, while it relieved the Protestants from the fear of Smithfield fires, undoubtedly gave a strong stimulus to that party whose object was to break entirely with the past, and destroy as far as possible the jurisdiction, rites, ceremonies, vestments, and every other external means by which reverence for the Church and faith in her doctrines had hitherto been maintained. Archdeacon Cole, preaching before the Lord Mayor, aldermen, sheriffs, and crafts of the city, could not congratulate the citizens on the cessation of the plague without attributing the infliction to the superstitious religion of Rome, which he said was so much in favour. He denounced it as a false religion, worse, he said, than

^a pp. 121-2.

that of the Turk, and even than that of the Devil. At another time he gracefully likened priests to apes, as being both bald alike, only the priests were bald before, and the apes behind.^a When such flowers of rhetoric as these, which Stowe with quiet satire records under the title "Points of Divinity," could proceed from a dignitary of the Church, who can wonder that the feeling of the common people found still more forcible expression? Clergy and laity were alike rabid with party spirit. In vain had the Queen herself issued injunctions for the decent observance of divine worship. Her orders were very generally disregarded. London clergy were accordingly summoned to a conference at Lambeth on Tuesday, the 26th March, 1566, where they were admonished to obey, on pain of suspension from their cures; and more complete instruction was given them as to their duties by the publication of the Archbishop's celebrated "Advertisements" in the following week; but even this had very little effect. Several of the clergy flatly disobeyed both injunctions and advertisements. In the greater number of parishes parochial duty was left to the sextons; but in others the clergy themselves did service in the forbidden gowns and cloaks, and preached violently against the order taken by the Queen in Council, not forbearing to censure the bishops for yielding their consent to it. The vicar of St. Giles's, Cripplegate, went so far as to stop a funeral entering his church, because six clergymen accompanied it wearing the legal surplices. The Queen, he said, had given him the benefice for life, and he would not suffer any Romish superstitions to enter. At the risk of a considerable tumult he carried his point, the surpliced clergy wisely giving way and remaining outside.b

One of the principal agitators among the clergy was a Scotchman who was accustomed to preach twice a day at St. Magnus', and

^a pp. 128, 133.

^в pp. 135, 136.

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who ministered the sacrament in a gown or cloak. On Palm Sunday he preached a violent sermon at All Hallows the Less in Thames Street, where the incumbent, who had complied with the injunctions, sat listening to him with a sarcastic smile quite visible upon his features. The result was, that, after the sermon, some of the congregation addressed a remonstrance to the incumbent, which began in argument and ended in a scuffle between the opposite sides. The general excitement on these subjects was increased by a host of pamphlets which were scattered freely about the streets, and many of which were, according to the ideas of that age, nothing less than seditious libels. Between Easter and Whitsuntide, however, the Scotchman seems to have been converted-by what influences we are not told. On Whit Monday he found his conscience allowed him to do duty in a surplice at St. Margaret Pattens in Rood Lane. But, unfortunately for him, his audience liked his former preaching better than his later practice, and his appearance caused a regular riot inside the church, especially among the women, who threw stones at him, and pulled him out of the pulpit, tearing his surplice and scratching his face in their violence.a

Two others of the London clergy, who were prominent in their opposition to the injunctions, were Philpot and Gough, each holding a plurality of cures, some of which appear to have been within the diocese of Winchester. Robert Horne, Bishop of that see, summoned them to a conference at Winchester, in which the subject was to be discussed for one-and-twenty days. As they passed over London Bridge into Southwark, they were accompanied by two or three hundred women, laden with bags and bottles "to banquet at their departing." Whether this was an open-air entertainment the author does not say; but it was not the only form in which the crowd displayed their enthusiastic liberality. Presents of gold,

a pp. 138-9.

silver, spice, sugar, and other things were made in abundance, and the travellers were everywhere exhorted to stand fast in the doctrine they had taught, touching the important subject of caps and surplices.^a

On the other hand, the Bishop of London himself, on coming to St. Margaret's church in Old Fish Street, was hooted at by the congregation, and especially by the women, because he wore the cornered cap belonging to his dignity. A cry of "Ware horns!" rose up, with other opprobrious language. The episcopal dignity had certainly fallen into strange disrepute, at all events in the city of London, when such a scene was possible. Nor was it easy to inflict appropriate punishment on the offenders. One woman indeed was taken on the following Saturday and placed upon two ladders "like a cucking stool," for the space of a whole hour; but, like Defoe in a later age, she only rejoiced in her punishment, and was encouraged by the spectators to glory in having been thought worthy to suffer persecution for the sake, as they declared, of righteousness and truth in protesting against superstition.^a

I leave the reader to examine for himself the notice of the original Puritans and Brownists, which completes the religious picture of the times,^b the minute accounts of the mortality from the plague,^c the description of the tournament at the marriage of Lord Ambrose Dudley,^d the meeting between the Queen and Leicester in 1566,^e the proclamation for the sale of the houses on the site destined for Sir Thomas Gresham's Exchange,^f and other matters of the like character; all of which possess much interest for the historical reader.

The reader has now before him everything that is of a distinctly historical character in the Lambeth Volume No. 306. That

a p. 140. b p. 143. c pp. 123-5, 144-7. d p. 134. c p. 137. f pp. 134-5.

volume, however, also contains, as will be seen by the catalogue, a quantity of poetry, medical receipts, and scraps of various kinds, which do not, generally speaking, greatly repay perusal. I have, however, printed two little scraps at the end of this preface (Note A) which are not altogether uninteresting as curiosities.

The "Brief Notes," which form the second portion of this volume, are derived from a MS. (No. 448 in the Lambeth Library) which seems to have been penned within the monastery of Elv. It is a small quarto volume, containing 153 leaves, of which the greater part are parchment; but the last 37 and some in the middle are of paper. The earlier portion is the history of the monastery and of the bishops of Ely printed by Wharton in his Anglia Sacra, pp. 593-674. It extends from the days of the founder, Queen Etheldreda the Virgin, to the episcopate of Morton, afterwards Archbishop of Canterbury and Cardinal, who succeeded to this see in the year 1478. This history is written on parchment as far as folio 77, and is continued for 22 pages further upon paper, the continuation being evidently a portion of the draft from which the whole was copied. This is shown by the fact that on the top line of folio 78 the first four words of a sentence are cancelled, being contained in the last line of the vellum leaf immediately preceding. The handwriting on the paper leaves is different from that of the portion written on vellum, but both are evidently of the same period, the close of the fifteenth century. The work, however, is continued by a sixteenth-century pen, from the episcopate of Alcock, Morton's successor, to that of Thirlby.

After this follow 25 leaves of parchment, filled with matter relating to the statutes and benefactors of the monastery, all in fifteenth-century handwriting, and containing much that is of considerable interest to the student of monastic usages. In the

middle of this portion, however, are a few leaves which had been left blank, and which have been filled up by a later scribe with the genealogy of Robert Steward, the last Prior and first Dean of Ely, who died in 1557. This genealogy has also been printed by Wharton, pp. 686-8.

From folio 117 to the end is again paper, filled with writing of the fifteenth century; and it is from this portion alone that our extracts are taken. The contents, however, are very miscellaneous, being partly jottings and extracts from various sources, in which the only point of real interest is an account of the great fire at Bury St. Edmund's in 1140, and partly an exceedingly rough and careless, but still contemporary, register of current events. The entries here have not even been written in consecutively as the events occurred, but later occurrences precede earlier ones, although the date of the year is invariably given at the head of the paragraph. Evidently this part of the volume was a mere memorandum book, filled up irregularly at intervals, and intended merely to aid in the compilation of some more polished chronicle. Even the dates given prior to the year 1450 are very inaccurate; indeed a good number of the occurrences in that year are referred to the year 1449. But in point of fact these brief notes are, with one exception, of little or no consequence before the year 1459, and most of the preceding entries are probably derived from some other source. An exception, however, ought certainly to be made as to the paragraph relating to the Parliament at Bury in 1446-7, and the suspected murder of the Duke of Gloucester. The strong impression produced by that event is shown by all the historical evidences of the period; and it is all the more interesting to read what appears to have been a first impression produced when the news was fresh, in a monastery not thirty miles distant from the scene of its occurrence.

This paragraph moreover contains circumstantial information not

found elsewhere. Whatever the facts may have been, Suffolk professed to apprehend danger to the King from the machinations of his uncle, and caused him to be protected by a very strong guard (about 60,000 men and villeins, says our MS.) at every town in which he stopped on his way to the Parliament. The writer however altogether discredits the danger, and tells us that Duke Humphrey came up from Wales in obedience to the King's command without a thought or suspicion of evil in his mind, merely hoping to obtain the King's favour for Dame Eleanor his wife, who had been for some time imprisoned. The writer's incredulity as to the conspiracy was doubtless shared by the majority of the people, as it is by most of the writers of this period; but it seems strange that, such being the case, the strong bodyguard is not even noticed by any other writer.

Great confusion exists in some parts of the narrative; in one place the writer actually speaks of Pomfret Castle being near Southwark (p. 154). The battle of Northampton is dated 1459, instead of 1460 (p. 153), and in the account of the circumstances which led to it the name of Northampton seems to be introduced prematurely where Ludlow was the place that is really referred to. These and a variety of other errors show the carelessness with which these notes of occurrences were drawn up.

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^a "Anno Domini Mcccc.lix" (1460), et anno Regis Henrici vj^{ti}xxviij", mense Julii venerunt comes de Warwyk, comes de March, et comes de Salisbery; quia cum prins venissent ad Northampton (Ludlow), et andito quod Rex erat præsens clam fugierunt ad mare," &c.

b Carelessness, however, is contagious, and I take this opportunity both to confess and to explain a curious slip of my own occasioned by the slovenly character of the MS. At page 159, in the account of the sieges in Northumberland in 1162, occurs the sentence:—"At the seege of Hem sunt comes de Wyceter, comes de Arandel, dominus de Ogyl, et dominus de Muntegew cum x. M¹." I could not but suppose when I transcribed the MS. that "Hem" was a place, though I was unacquainted with it. I find, however, the word should have been spelt with a small h. "hem" being here a personal pronoun referring to the Duke of Somerset and others,

But, while inaccuracies such as these might seem to detract from the value of the record, its importance as an original source of information on many points cannot be overlooked. The news of the battle of Hedgley Moor has evidently been taken down when it was quite fresh, prefaced by the words, "These tidings hath my lord of Lincoln, and the same be come to Stamford" (p. 156). Again, the exploits of Earl Douglas in 1462, of which no other account has been preserved to us, are introduced in like manner, with the words, "These been the tidings sent out of Scotland" (p. 159). It may be added that the sieges in Northumberland in 1462 (p. 159) are described in the present tense, as if they were still going on, and the account of them is concluded by the statement, "Rex tenet Natale suum apud Dorham" (the King is keeping his Christmas at Durham). Even the errors as to matters of fact in some cases are such as could only have been made at the time; as, for example, in the list of those killed at Towton (p. 160), which includes not only Queen Margaret and her son, but at least seven noblemen besides, who certainly survived that day, and some of whom lived after it for twenty years or more.

who were keeping Bamborough Castle for Henry VI., as mentioned in the preceding sentence! Of all writings in the world illiterate writings are certainly the easiest to misinterpret.

a The Dukes of Exeter and Somerset, the Earls of Cumberland and Shrewsbury, Lords Scales, Willoughby, and Roos. "Dominns Henricus de Bokyngham" is probably an eighth; for I imagine the person intended was the Duke of Buckingham, afterwards beheaded by Richard III., whose succession to the title was not yet acknowledged, his grandfather from whom he inherited it having been slain at Northampton in the preceding year. In the list of knights slain also we meet with "Dominus R. de Percy," probably Sir Ralph Percy who was killed three years later at Hedgley Moor, and Sir Ralph Gray who also survived for three years and was beheaded for treason in 1464. The error in the case of Sir Ralph Gray was however discovered and the name is accordingly erased. At page 161 again we have another list of those slain in this battle, including, as the former one did, the Earl of Devonshire. Yet the Earl of Devonshire is stated on the same page to have been beheaded after the battle, which of course is more accurate.

Inaccuracies of this kind are instructive, for in the present case they testify to the exaggerated impression produced by a great victory. Even what may be called the official report, written just after the battle by King Edward himself, wrongly enumerated among the slain Lords Willoughby and Scales, while it spoke with rather less certainty of the death of Northumberland, who certainly was one of them; and mentioned truly that King Henry and Margaret with their son, the Dukes of Somerset and Exeter, and Lord Roos, had escaped to Scotland.^a But the report which first reached the monastery of Ely confounded those who had fled with those who had fallen in battle, and added two more noblemen besides to the appalling list. Almost anything must have seemed credible as to the fatal results of a conflict after which it was positively stated that 28,000 corpses had been numbered upon the field by heralds.^b

There can be no doubt, therefore, whether its statements be accurate or the reverse, that this MS. contains the first intelligence of a number of occurrences as they were reported in the monastery of Ely in the beginning of Edward the Fourth's reign. And after the fullest allowance made for error these brief notes certainly make a considerable addition to what was already known of that obscure and turbulent period. Here we have not only the account of several actions fought and sieges laid, but of Lancastrian conspiracies detected, and of the foreign alliances by which it was believed the defeated party would be enabled to invade England at several points at once (p. 158). The account of the discovery of the conspiracy of the Earl of Oxford in 1461-2 (pp. 162-3) is also new and not altogether unimportant. Nor must we pass by in silence the long

a See Paston Letters (new edition), ii. 5.

b Paston Letters, ii. 6. Here in this Ely MS, we are told with beautiful precision that the number of the slain "was reckoned at 35,091, as it was reported" (per astimationem xxxvM!iiijxx et xj, ut dicebatur), and a little lower that it was 33,000 and more (quasi xxxiij milia et plures).

catalogue at p. 157 of the noblemen and knights who accompanied King Edward to the borders of Scotland in December 1462. But on these things, as on the minute fragments of information in the Short English Chronicle, it is quite impossible to enlarge in a Preface like this, and we must be content with having thus briefly indicated the sort of material which this MS. contains.

Before finally taking leave of it, however, it may be interesting to give here an extract from the earlier part of the volume relative to an earthquake in the year 1488. On the back of folio 116 occurs the following note:—

Anno Domini $M^{\circ}cccc^{\circ}lxxx^{m^{\circ}}viij^{\circ}$, in festo Sancti Thome Martiris erat terre motus magnus per quarternium unius hore ante horam duodecimam in nocte, ex quo plures audientes et sensientes erant exterriti; qui duravit per spacium unius a Ave Maria.

The third source from which the contents of this volume are derived is the MS. numbered 5 in the Arundel Collection in the College of Arms. It is a great parchment folio still preserved in the old wooden covers, and, as mentioned in the catalogue, "on the right hand one is a curious horn tablet, covering a piece of parchment, with the titles of the contents written by the original scribe." Nothing seems to be known of the history of this volume beyond the fact that it once belonged to Fox the Martyrologist and afterwards became the property of Lord William Howard of Naworth—a collector whose historical and religious views being totally opposed to those of his predecessor, he has left a note in one place accusing Fox, but it must be said most untruly, of interpolating a passage in the text concerning the death of King John.

The contents are, first, what is called a Scala Mundi, or tabular chronology of universal history, with dates extending down to the year 1619, the events however being only filled in to the year 1469.

^a The word dimidii here followed, but is erased.

PREFACE. XXI

Second, a double history of Popes and Emperors on opposite pages, the former carried down as far as the year 1334, and the latter to the period of the Guelph and Ghibelline factions. And third, a "Compilacio de Gestis Britonum et Anglorum," continued to the year 1471. It is the concluding portion of this last work that alone has any value for the historian, because there is no doubt that for the reign of Edward IV. at least it is a strictly contemporary record. As such it has been already cited by Mr. Halliwell Phillipps, who quoted some extracts from it in his Appendix to Warkworth's Chronicle—the first work ever published by this Society. But the whole narrative for the reign of Edward IV. is full of interest, and, as it is difficult to say at what point the work begins to be an original composition, I have given a complete transcript from the beginning of Henry VI.'s reign.

Whoever the compiler was, he certainly lived in the days of Henry VI. and Edward IV. Yet for the most part, if not the whole, of Henry VI.'s reign his narrative is of very little value. So slender is his record of events that the first battle of St. Alban's is altogether omitted, though there is a retrospective allusion to it in connection with the pacification of 1457-8 (p. 168). The disgrace of Bishop Pecock in the same year is related with a good deal of the usual theological bitterness (pp. 167-8). But there is really nothing in this Chronicle that cannot be found elsewhere before the year 1460, and little even in that year, though the circumstances connected with the battle of Northampton and the Duke of York's claim to the crown are recorded somewhat more fully than previous events. An abstract of the Duke of York's claim in parliament is quoted in English (p. 170), and it is clear the writer has much sympathy both with him and with his son.

Just after Edward the Fourth was proclaimed King in London, we find that his title was set forth in a sermon at Paul's Cross by

^a Warkworth's Chronicle, pp. 39, 40, 43, 44, 45, 46.

George Nevill, Bishop of Exeter, the Earl of Warwick's brother. When the sermon was finished, King Edward rode through the streets to Westminster in a great procession of lords spiritual and temporal, and sat down in the royal seat (sedes regalis) in Westminster Hall, as if taking formal possession of the throne.^a This intelligence is very remarkable, and suggests at once the question how far Richard III. intended to use the case as a precedent when Dr. Shaw preached in behalf of his title from the same pulpit. That Richard hoped to be made King (or make himself so) by acclamation like his brother is the belief that has always been accepted; and it is remarkable that, though Dr. Shaw's sermon was a failure, and Richard took no steps that day to secure possession of the throne, he actually did on the day of his accession, which was only four days later, take his seat in the marble chair in Westminster Hall, the sedes regalis mentioned by our chronicler.

This sedes regalis, or marble chair of royalty, was apparently the King's Bench, from which the court derives its name; and it is interesting to find, a little further on (p. 175), that it was not a mere antiquated tradition in Edward the Fourth's days that kings might administer justice in person; for we are told that Edward himself in 1462, sitting in the King's Bench (in bancho suo regali) at Westminster, heard a particular cause tried before him, his Chancellor and Justices assisting him with their advice.

^a Page 173.

b I had written this without referring to any other work upon the subject, but I find the same opinion put forward in a note in Smith's Antiquities of Westminster, p. 258; and it appears from a reference there to Bailey's Antiquities of London and Westminster, p. 240 (ed. 1734), that this marble chair was believed to be still in existence at the beginning of the last century, though it was then hidden from view, being built over by the two Courts of Chancery and the King's Bench. What has become of it? My friend Mr. Henry Brewer, who has always taken much interest in the architectural history of Westminster Hall, believes that Bailey was labouring under a mistake, and that the chair had been destroyed before his time. See note B at the end of this Preface.

Of the military and naval movements at the commencement of Edward IV.'s reign this is perhaps the clearest contemporary account that we possess; Worcester's narrative, though rather more minute, being defective in some places, and particularly in the year 1463, where a leaf of the original MS. is lost.^a From what we read in the present Chronicle that does not appear to have been a very eventful year; but the tone of the writer's comments upon it is noteworthy. He takes note of the assembly and prorogation of parliament, and observes that he is not aware that it had redressed any evils or initiated any reforms during its seven weeks' sitting. He makes no mention of what was apparently the only business transacted—the vote of 37,000l. for the defence of the kingdom.^b But this was a matter that only affected the laity, and evidently the writer was a churchman. The taxation of the laity was a mere trifle to what was extorted at the same time from the clergy, and on this subject our author writes feelingly. The Convocation of Canterbury granted the king the sum of one mark, or thirteen shillings and four pence, on every ten marks clerical income; "at which," he says, "many were aggrieved and complained, both because they were poor and because moneys so extorted from the clergy rarely or never lead to any good result, but rather to the confusion and disgrace of those who use them. For after the feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary King Edward mustered a great army and prepared to subdue his adversaries by land and sea. I know not, however, what good he did in that expedition. And the Earl of Worcester with his ship and sailors, lurking as it were by the shores and havens of the sea and consuming their provisions, returned empty without doing anything. Ounhappy result, shame and confusion!"

The King's necessities about the same time, or shortly afterwards,

^a W. Wyr. 497.

b Rolls of Parliament, v. 497.

led him to enhance the value of the coinage and seize upon the revenues of the two Colleges founded by his predecessor at Cambridge and Eton, the latter of which he had some thought of suppressing altogether by the aid of a papal bull. Happily he was persuaded to abandon this intention; but the endowments of both Colleges were reduced and a large portion went to meet the King's requirements.^a

It is evident that the cause of Henry VI. was at this time by no means desperate, and might even have triumphed without the unexpected aid which it afterwards received from the Earl of Warwick. For the civil war was by no means so intermittent and spasmodic an affair as the meagre contemporary notices might well lead us to imagine. Through the early part of King Edward's reign it was quite continuous, and we now learn for the first time that in 1464 the Lancastrians obtained possession of the castles of Norham and Skipton in Craven. The news took Edward by surprise while he was feasting with his lords in London, and presently he proceeded to the North to resist the enemy. But his going seemed to produce very little result, and after a good deal of time had been wasted Edward's Chancellor, George Nevill Bishop of Exeter, the brother of Warwick and Lord Montague, took his journey also to the North for the relief of the latter lord, who had to sustain the brunt of the conflict. But on the 2nd May, we are told, a decisive battle was fought by Montague, in which the Lancastrian party were defeated, the Duke of Somerset and others put to flight, and Sir Ralph Percy slain.b

So the facts are related, but I am bound to state that the narrative in this place does not seem quite so accurate as elsewhere. From the dates of King Edward's privy seals it appears that he remained in or near London till the end of April. He was at the Tower on

^a Page 177.

the 26th of that month, and this must have been about the time when the news came of the capture of Norham and Skipton Castles. On the 29th April we find him at St. Alban's, and by the 2nd May he had reached Northampton, so that by that date, when the decisive battle above alluded to is said to have been fought, the King certainly had not lost much time. He contrived to waste a little, as we know quite well, the day before, when he secretly stole away from Stony Stratford and got married to Elizabeth Woodville at Grafton. But as he rejoined his company the same day, and no one knew of the affair for some months after, it cannot be said that even this was a great delay, so far. It was after the decisive battle had been fought, and no doubt because it had been fought and won, that Edward manifestly slackened speed on his progress northwards. He stayed at Leieester from the 8th to the 13th May, was at Nottingham on the 15th, had reached Pomfret by the 14th June, and Doncaster by the 23rd, and seems to have advanced no further. In July we find him again at Leicester, and in August we trace his movements southwards by Stamford and Fotheringay to Woodstock, which he reached on the 24th. The only material waste of time, therefore, that we can detect on the King's part, was after the danger was practically at an end.

Again, the decisive battle in which Sir Ralph Percy was slain was, it is well known, the battle of Hedgley Moor; but it appears by the concurrent evidence of Gregory's Chronicle and the Rolls of Parliament to have been fought, not on the 2nd May, but on St. Mark's Day, the 25th April, so here seems to be another inaccuracy. These however are exceptions. The account of the executions after the battle of Hexham corresponds with that in Gregory's Chronicle (Coll. of a London Citizen, 224-6), and must have been derived from a common source, but the Latin text seems to be the more accurate.

a Coll. of a Lond. Citizen, 224. Rolls of Parl, v. 511.

From the year 1464 to the close of this Chronicle in 1471 there is comparatively little recorded that is not to be found elsewhere; but the narrative, slender as it is, ought certainly not to be overlooked by any one who proposes to study the history of the period from original sources.

NOTES.

A.—See page xv.

At folio 203 of the Lambeth MS. 306, occur the two following scraps, which seem worth preservation as curiosities:—

I.

Who so wyll be ware of purchassyng, Consydre theese poyntes folowyng:—

- 1. Fyrst se that the lande be cleere,
- 2. And the tytle of the sellere,
- 3. That it stonde in no dawngeer Of no womans doweere,
- 4. And whethir the lande be bonde or free,
- 5. And the leese or releese of the feoffe,
- 6. Se that the seller be of age,
- 7. And whethir it be in any morgage.
- 8. Looke if ther of a tayle be founde,
- 9. And whethir it stonde in any statute bounde.
- 10. Consydre what servyce longyth ther to
- 11. And the quyte rent that there of owte shall goo.
- 12. And yf thou may in any wyse, Make thy chartyr on warantyse, To thyn heyres and assygnes all so. Thys shall a wyse purchasser doo; And in tenne yere if ye wyse be. Ye shall a geyne youre sylver sec.

П.

The longitude of men folowyng:—

Meyses, xiij fote & viij ynches & di.

Cryste, vj fote & iij ynches.

Our Lady, vj fote & viij ynches.

Crystoferus, xvij fote & viij ynches.

Kyng Alysaunder, iiij fote & v ynches.

Colbronde, xvij fote & ij ynches & di.

Syr Gy, x fote iij ynches & di.

Seynt Thomas of Caunterbery, vij fote save a ynche.

Long Mores, a man of Yrelonde borne, and servaunt to Kyng

Edward the iiijth, vj fote & x ynches & di.

B .- The Marble Chair; see page xxii.

I am favoured with the following observations by Mr. Henry Brewer:—

In Smith's Westminster, p. 258, is inserted a letter from one John Cranch quoting the following passage from Bailey (the passage which, I suppose, you refer to in your letter to me):

"At the upper end of Westminster Hall is a marble 'stone' (sic) [perhaps table or bench], of nineteen feet in length and three feet in breadth, and a marble chair, where the Kings of England formerly sat at their coronation dinners: and at other solemn times the Lord Chancellors, but now not to be seen, being built over by the Courts of King's Bench and Chancery" (p. 240). "It is to be wished that when the purposed alterations of these places shall commence, every lover of our monarchical antiquities will interest himself in the preservation of these venerable relies, since the same barbarous insensibility that buried them alive will scruple as little to profane or destroy them when disclosed.

" John Cranch."

Appended to this letter is the following most valuable note:

"When this communication was delivered in writing by Mr. Smith to Mr. Groves, Clerk of the Works of the Old Palace of Westminster, that gentleman gave immediate orders for an investigation of the fact. But it appears that the search was made close to the southern wall, and that he was completely disappointed. It is highly probable that the chair and table [he has here, I fancy, fallen into the mistake of confusing the architectural expression a 'basement table,' which really means a stone bench attached to a wall, with the ordinary idea of a table!] were placed at a distance from the wall so that had the examination taken place at about 15 feet from the wall these relics might have been discovered. Is not the title of Court of 'King's Bench' derived from this identical marble bench? because it is well known that our early kings sat in parliament in 'Westminster Hall.'

This is very interesting, but to my mind it proves most distinctly that the throne and bench had been destroyed before Mr. Groves made his I think that the two facts taken together—1. That this feature is sometimes called a "bench," and sometimes a "table," and 2ndly, that we always find these thrones and benches in combination attached to the wall-go a very long way to prove that "the marble seat and bench in Westminster Hall were attached to the south wall of the building." That they must have been destroyed before Mr. Groves made his search is, I think, certain, because had they existed they must have been discovered when the interior of the hall was restored by Sir Robert Smirke for George the Fourth's coronation; but Brayley, who relates most exactly the discoveries in St. Stephen's Chapel, says nothing whatever about them, and I have no doubt, myself, that they were destroyed in 1680, when a doorway was cut through the south end of the Hall; in fact, if, as I suppose, the throne was attached to the wall, this doorway would have exactly occupied its place.

A SHORT ENGLISH CHRONICLE,

From Lambeth MS, 306.

Cronycullys of Englande.

In the noble londe of Surrye^a was some tyme a greate kynge and a myghty that was named Dioclesyan, and he was the moste worthiest kynge than levinge on erthe, as the story seythe. this brevelye to procede, he hade by dyverse wiffes xxxiijti doughteres, the whiche were geven in to maryage to xxxiij^{ti} kynges of dyverse contres. And all the kynges were under Dioclesyan, and obedient unto hym. And after it be fell so that thes wiffes wexen so proude and sterne toward ther husbondes by one assent compleyned upon hem to Dioclesyan the grete kynge; and so ther fader were gretly amevid of ther governance; and so he gave his daughtres a grete rebuke in presens of all her husbondes. And so the nexte nyght followynge for male talent and greate ire that they were so foule blamed of ther fader through grete complaynte of ther husbondes, they toke their counselle togeder, and thought to be avenged. And so the nexte night by one assent their cut her husbondis throtes, and violensely they were slayne alle. And the were all the xxxiijti false women that were quenes of diverse londis exiled oute of all the londe of Surrye, and put into a shippe withouten helpe of any man. And toke hem vitaile for halfe a yere or more, and be toke hem to Mahonde and Appolyne to kepe. And so their were in the see longe and mony a daye. Till at the last thei were drevyn in to this londe, that the was all disserte and wildernesse and full of wilde bestis. And than they come alande wher they fonde no creature perin. Tho saide Albyne, the eldest sister, I se

well by reyson that we ben the fyrst creatures that ever came here; wherefor I will have this lond called after my name, Albyon londe. The levid they here in this londe as bestis by erbis and rotis, and ete rawe flesshe and dranke wilde bestis blode, and so they wex coragious and ranke, and desired gretely the feleshippe of men. And the came sprytes of the ayre and wonderly delid with hem, and so they brought forthe giantes as the story reherseth, as Gogge, Ma gogge and other; and so levid forthe the geauntes un till the cominge of Brute.

Fro the begynnynge of the worlde unto the distruccion of the grete cyte of a Troye was iiij m¹iiij xx and iiij yere. That is for to sey, afor the Carnacion of Crist m¹cxv yere. [Fro þe begynnynge of the worlde unto the destruccion of the grete cite of Troye was m¹iiij xx and iiij yere.] And fro that tyme in to the comynge of Brute fyrst into this londe was lxxiiij yere. And that was by for the Incarnacion m¹xlj yere, &c.

Brute was a Trojane.

The fyrst kynge that ever was in this londe was Brutus, the whiche was come of the gentill blode of Troye, as the storye telleth. And he began first London, and named hit at that tyme Newe Troye, because he was com of the lynage of the Troye. And also he lette call this lande Brutayne after his name, and the people that he brought with hym he named Brutones, and he yave his men grete yestis, and gaffe hem londe to lyve upon, and they bilded howses and bilded many townes through helpe of ther kynge Brute. And when Brute had regned xxv yere than he dyed, and lieth at Newe Troye that nowe is called London. And ther he was worthely entered, and he was xxx^{ti} yere of age or he was crowned kynge of Brutayne. The some of his age or he dyed was lv yere, and that was be for the Incarnacion of Criste M'xvj yere.

Afftyr kynge Brutus regned his sonne Locryne, a gode knyght and a myghty, and he regned but vj yere.

Loeryne.

^a the grete cyte of. These words are interlined by a second hand, by which most of the side-notes have been supplied.

b Erased in the MS.

Aftir kynge Locryne regned his wiffe Guendolyn, the whiche Guendolyne, that hade a sonne that hight Madahan, þat was kynge Locrynes' Madahan, sonne. And the quene kepte him in hir governaunce till that he was xx^{ti} wynter olde. And than he was made kynge, and so the quene regned xvj yere after Locryn dyed. And so regned Madahan, that was Locrynes sonne, xxxij yere, and lythe at Newe Troye.

After him regned his sonne Memprice xxviij yere.

Mempryee.

After hym regned his sonne Eboranke, the which was a gode Eborank. knyght and a myghty, for he conquered all the londe of Fraunce, and gate grete umbre of gode. That whane he come home a yene he lete make a fayre cite and lete called after his name Eborawyke, that nowe men clepeth Yorke. And he hade by dyverse women xx^{ti} sonnes and xxiij^{ti} doughtres; and his sonnes were grete lordys, and conquered many contres. And this kynge Eboranke regned lxj yere; he dyed and lieth at Yorke.

After hym regned his sonne Brute Greneshyld, the whiche was a Brute Grenesh[yld]. gode knyght and a worthy, and whan that he had regned xxxij yere he died, and lithe at Yorke. After regned his sonne Lyell; Lyell. he made the towne of Carlyll, he regned the full of xxiij yere, and lyeth at Karleyll; and that time regned Kynge Salamonde in Jerusalem. After that regned Lud Ludebras, Lyell is sonne, ix yere. Lud Ludibras. After hym regned Bladud, his sonne, the whiche was a grete negre-Bladud. mancer, and he made the hote bathe be his sotill crafte of nigromancye; he regned xxij yere.

After him regned Kynge Leyre, a gode kynge and a worthie, Leyre, and he made the towne of Leyseter; he regned xliiij yere.

Than regned Cordell, that was Leyres doughter, pe whiche was Cordel. Quene of Fraunce; she regned v yere.

After that regned Cordell sonne, that right Morgane and his Morgan. brother Conadage; thei departed the londe be twene hem, and regned bothe to geder in pese xij yere. And after that fell a dis-

a In the names Eborank and Eboranyke, the "o" is inserted between b and r by the second hand, both in the text and in the margin.

taunce, and Conadage slough Morgan. And after that Conadage regned in rest and peec full xxx yere.

Reynolde.

After hym regned his sonne Regnolde, a gode knyght and an hardye, and in his tyme hit reyned blode durynge iij dayes; and he regnid xxij yere, and lithe at Yorke.

Gorbodyan.

Doneband.

After hym regned Corbodian in rest and pese xvij yere. Than stode this londe dissolate withowten kynge xvj yere. Than was ther an erle in Gornewale that hight Gloton; and he hade a sonne that heght Doneband, and he was right eyre of this lande. And he was the fyrst kynge pat ever wered crowne of golde in this londe; and he hade ij sonnes, Beleyn and Bren; he regned durynge xlj yere. Aftir hym regned Kynge Beleyn, and he made Beleynges gate, with a castell and a fayre towre, upon Temmesside; he was a noble knyght, for he conquerd Romayn and Lombardye; and whan he had regned xij yere he dyed, and lieth at Newe Troye.

The fyrst kyng that

ever ware crowne of golde in Englonde. Beleyne.

After hym regned his sonne Cornebatrus, a gode kny;t and a worthye; and he regned xxvj yere, and lieth at Newe Troye.

Cornebatrus.

Gwentolyne.

Aftyr hym regned his sonne Gwentholyn xxvj yere.

Kynnore. After him regned his sonne that heght Kynnore, and he regned xix yere.

Owayne. Morwyth,

After hym regned his sonne Howayne þe fers xj yere. After him regned his sonne Morwyth þe wekkyd ix yere.

Seysell.

After hym regned his sonne Seysell xvj yere.

Grandobodyan,

After him regned his sonne Grandobodian, and he made the toure of Grantam and Cambryge; and he had iiij sonnes, Artogayll, Hesydere, Hygamus, and Petiture, and whan Grandobodyan had regnyd xij yere he dyed, and lithe at Newe Troye.

Arthogayle.

After him regned his eldeste sonne Arthogayle v yere, and for his wekidnes the Bretons pute him downe and made his brother Hesydere kynge, and he regned v yere; and than Artogale put downe Hesydere, and so he regned a yene vj yere, and than he died, and lieth at Grantham.

^a The "o" in this name is altered by another hand into "a."

After that Higamus and Petiture departed the londe by twene Higamus and Petytur hem both, and so they regnyd togeder vij yere; the dyed Higamus, betwene them, and a none after died Petiture at the vij yere ende.

And after that the Bretons crownyde Hesydere kynge a yene, Hesydere, and the he regned here in pees xvij yere, and lieth at Newe Troye Some of the regne of thes xxiiij kynges vjc and ix yere.

After that regned xxxiij kynges in rest and pese everyche after other, as the story telleth, and how long tyme they regned.

Fyrst regned Grandabodian Rouse xiij yere and a halfe; item, Morgan regned vij yere; item, Evghanas regned vj yere; item, Edwalyn regned viij yere; item, Rohngo Regina xj yere and di.; item, Voghem regned xiij yere; item, Katyll regned xv yere; item, Porrex regnid vj vere; item, Cheryne regnid xvij yere; item, Coysell regnide xij yere; item, Surgeus regned xiij yere; item, Andragie regnid xviii vere; item, Uryan regnid vi vere; item, Elyand regnid vij yere; item, Eldaux regnid v yere; item, Cornegund regnid vij vere; item, Caphe regnid ij yere and di.; item, Morthan regnid vj yere; item, Bladagh regnid vj yere; item, Geen regnid vj yere; item, Seysell blod regnid xxj yere; item, Grabreth regned xxij yere; item, Archynall regnid xiiij yere; item, Errok regnid xxx yere; item, Rodyngum regnid xxxj yere; item, Hertyer regnid vj yere; item, Hamprey regnid vj yere; item, Carpoire regned vj yere; item, Dyngnevld regnid vij yere; item, Ragan regned xxij yere; item, Samoell regnid xxiiij yere; item, Rede regned vj yere; item, Kynge Elye reind but halfe a yere. Summa of the regnie of xxxiij kynges, Hely. ccclxxix yere. And this was a for the Incarnacion of Crist.

Fro the begynnyng of the worlde un to the regne of Kynge Lml. Lud vm¹cxlvij, &c.

After the dethe of Kynge Ely regnid his sone Lud the whiche turned the name of newe Troye to London, and he lete make a fayre gate and called hit Ludgate after his name; he regned in pees xj yere and lithe in Ludgate.

After him regnid his brother Cassibalaun, and in his tyme came Cassibalaun. Julyus Cesar into the londe and werred upon him longe tyme Julius Cesar

durynge vj yere, and after they were accorded. And Julyus Cesar made the towre of London.

Anddronghenne.

After that regnid Cassibalaun in pees xvij yere. After him regned his brothers sonne Anddroughenne, whiche was Erle of Cornewayle viij yere, and lieth at London.

Kymbelyne. Tempore hujus natus est Cristus.

After him regnid his sonne Kynge Kymbelyne, the whiche was a gode man and right wele belovyde of the comon people, and in the vj yere of his regne was our lord Jhesu Crist borne of the Virgyn Marye. And he regnid after that xvj yere, and he had ij sonnes Gynder and Armyger, and whan he had regned full xxvj yere than he dyed, and lithe at London, &c.

Gynder.

After hym regnid his sonne Gyndere, a gode man and a trewe to alle the comone people, and his tyme came the Emperour Glaudius in to this londe and made greate werre for a trewage the whiche he chalanged of this londe. And the forsaide Kynge Gynder was slayne in his place by tresoun of Hamond, the Emperour styward; he regned xij yere.

Armyger.

After hym regned Armynger, Gyngere brober, and he made his pese with Glaudyus, and he made the towne of Glowseter. And after that Glaudyus went to Rome ayene. And then regned Armyger in rest and pese all his lyfe tyme; and in the vj yere of his regne, as the story telleth, our lorde Jhesu Crist suffred dethe for redempeioun of manes soule; and whan he hade regned xxvj yere he dyed at London.

Hic passus est Christus.

Westmere.

After hym regnid his sonne Westmere, a gode knyght and an hardy, and bilded in the northe partye of Brettayne, and called all that contre after his name, Westmerland; and he regned xxvij yere, and lith at Karlhill. After hym regnid his sonne Coyle, a gode man and welbelovyd a monge all the people of Bretayne, and well governed the londe in pese, and he regnid xxj yere. After hym regned Goran the grete, in trouble and debate with his people durynge xxij yere.

Coyle.

After hym regned his sonne Lucye, that was a gode kynge and a trewe, and welbelovyd with all the comyne peple of the londe,

Goran.

Lucye.

and he sent to Rome to Pope Eleuthie and desired to be a Cristen-Anno Domini man; and so the pope was joyfull therof and sentt heder ij leggates c[1]xiij erat that highte Pagan and Olybane for to baptice Kynge Lucye and his simus Re[x] Angliae. peple, and so he was the first cristen kynge hat ever was in this nomine Luciam." londe. And fro Brute unto Lueye is M'Clxv yere. Kynge Lueye crowned and regned kynge xxiij yere or he was cristened aftyr that he regned liiij yere. Summa of his regne lxxvii yere; than he dyed and lithe enterred att London.

The yere of oure Lorde Jhesu Crist ccj, Ao-

After the dethe of Lucye this londe stode dissolate with outen kynge and governour in grete werre amonges hem selfe for defaute of a kynge and governour durynge lxij yere.

The yere of our Lord celxiij.

And that tyme were the Romayns governers of this londe, and they chase amonge hem a kynge þat hight Asclepades, the whiche regned in grete trouble vj yere.

After him regned Coyll, the whiche made the towne of Colchester Coyl. and the castell of Dover. And in his tyme come a noble prince from Rome that hight Constance, and he chalanged the trewage that the kynge oughte to pay to Rome. And Kynge Coyll grawnte him for to paye all that he ought to done of right. And so they were accorded that this noble prince spowsed Kynge Coyll is Seynt Elyn. doughter that high Elyn, the whiche was right eyre to the londe, and she was a gode holy woman and a grete clerke. And whan Kynge Coyle had regned xiiij yere he dyed, and lieth at Colchester.

After him regned Constaunce of Rome, for he had spoused Eleyn Constaunce. that was Coylls doughter, and by hir he had a son that hight Constantyne that was Seint Eleyns sonne, and this gode Kynge Constance regned xv yere and lieth at Yorke.

^a Lucium. So in MS. This marginal note is mutilated, the edge of the paper having been cut by the binder, so that it is uncertain what the date assigned to the conversion of Lucius was. But it was most probably 163 (CLXIII), the L being now lost.

Constantyne.

Martirizasio Sancte Katerine.

Octavian.

Maxymyan.

Ursula, a Erles dou[ghter] of Cornwale.

Gawhan.

Martirizacio Sancti Albani. After that regnid his sonne Constantyne^a that was Seint Elyns sonne, and in the ij yere of his regne come tiding to the kynge that a wode tyrawnte Maxence was come to Rome for to distroye the cite, and he distroyed all the Cristen folke that he myght come by; and that same tyme was Seint Kateryne martered, the yere of our Lorde cccx. And when Costantyne herde tell ther of, he gedered a grete nombre of peple, and toke his moder with him, and wente to Rome, and gate the cite, and slowe the Sarsynes, and distroyed all that were in mys beleve, and after he was Emperour of Rome and kynge of the londe. Tho was Octavyan, Erle of Cornwayle, warden of the londe and keper under the emperour and kynge, and the x yere of his regne he died at Rome the yere of our Lorde cccxvije.

After that was Octavyan, wardeyn of this londe, erownyd kynge, and he regned durynge xvij yere.

After him regnid Maximean, that was Costantinges cosyne, and he wedded Octavians doughter; and he went over the see in to the londe of Morycon^b and conquerd the londe and ealled hit Litell Brettayn; and the he made Canon Meredok kyng of that londe. And aftir this was done Maximian went to Rome and was made emperour the xi yere of his regne. And the same yere Scint Ursula, the Erles doughter of Cornwale, was sent over the see with xj m1 maydenes in to Lytell Bretayne, and tho bei were drevyn with tempest in to Holonde; and ther was a Saresyn kynge of that londe that hight Gawhan, and he brought all the forsaide maydenes to Coleyne, and ther they were martered the yere of our Lord cccxlyj. A none after came Gawhan into this londe and warred upon Cristen peple many a yere; and the lordis of this londe were at grete de bate within hem selfe, and perfore were the Saresynes myche the more the bolder, and at that tyme was no kynge ne governor in this londe, wher for the Brutis made grete mone and sorowe. And at that tyme was Seint Albone marterd, the yere of our Lorde

[&]quot; Over the name "Constantyne" in the text is written by the annotator "Emperowre." Armorica.

ccclxxviij. Tho sent the Bretones to Rome for socoure and helpe for to dryve oute the Sarsynes of this londe and to save the Cristen people. After that came a worthi prince from Rome that was called Grayne, and brought with him xxiiij thousande of fyghting Grayne. men, and came in to this londe, and chasid oute the Sarsynes, and Gowhan fled home into his owne contre. And this trouble dured in this londe xlj yere. And than Gracyan was crownyd kynge of this Gracyan. londe. After he wax so stoute and stere a yens the Bretens that thei lovid him nought, and the thred yere of his regine he was slayne, the yere of our Lorde lxxxx°.

After that came Gouhan ayene in to this londe and werred and Gouhan. distroyed the Cristen peple all that ever he myght durynge vij yere.

Than came a worthi knyght oute of Litell Bretayne that hight Constantyne, the which was the kynges cosyne, and he came with a grete oste and yave the Sarseyns a batayle, and ther was the tirawnte slayne and all the Sarseynes discomfited.

And the came Costantyne, of London, and ther he was crowned kynge of Grawnte Brettayne, and after he regnid well and worthely xxvj ye., the yere of our Lord ccccxxiije yere. And he hade iij sonnes; the eldest heght Custance, and he was made a monke at Constance, Aurilan Wynchester by his faders leve. And Aurylambos and Uter were but bos, Uter, iij filii Constantini. yonge children when her fader dyed, and none of them bothe were not of age to ber the crowne, for ther was so grete wer and stryffe in this londe. The was Urtager, Erle of Esex, he consayled Counstance that was a monke for to forsake his abitt and to ber the erowne, and Urtager to be governour of the londe, so under that forme he myght be made kynge, for Constaunce was innocent and cowthe no skyll of wer. And so Constaunce was crowned kynge, Constance. and he made Urtager his governour of his londe, and whan he had regned iii yere he was slayne. Anone after that was Urtager made Urtager. kynge, and the Bishop of London, hight Coslyn, and he, sent the ij brethren Aurylambros and Uter into Litell Brettayne to norysshe and fede till they came of age. Sone after came Engest of Saxonye, Engest Rex Cancie. CAMD. SOC.

of the londe of Germayn, with a grete noumbre of people whiche were fayre folke, but they were not cristned; and at the last they encresid so faste in this londe that they over come the Bretones, for they slewe in one daye with treyson xxxm1.lxij of gode knightes and chevaleres of the best that were in this londe. And the Engest seysed all this londe in to his honde and hade Urtager in prison; and than he changed the name of this londe of Brettayne in to Englonde and called the peple Englishe men, and the peple of the londe that were Bretones fled into Wales and into Cornwayle. And Engest devided this londe in viij parties, ande made him sylfe kynge of Kente and lord of londe; and at that tyme was Merlyon xiiij yere of age. And this werre duryd in this londe xxij yere, the yer of of our Lorde ccccxlviij. And whan Engest had departid the londe aftir his owne device in viij kyngdomes, that is to sey, Kent, a Esex, Mydangle, Westsex, Estangle, Morchelond, Derham, and Ebrusam that nowe is called Yorkeshire. And this Engest was kynge aboven hem all, and he regened xij yere.

regna. Merlion tunc erat xiiii annorum.

Terra divisa in octo

Aurilambos.

[U]ter Pendragon.

Tho came Aurylambos and Uter his brother oute of Litell Brettayne with a grete noumbre of peple, and all the Brettones that were in Cornwayle and in oper parties of this londe that durst not be seyne for drede of Engest, they came to Aurylambros and his brobere to helpe hem dryve oute the Saxons. Fyrst he went in to Walis, and there he slowe Urtager, and after Engest and his peple were overe come and discomfid all the paynymes. And the Saresynes sawe the people pat were converted to God; and than Aurylambros had regnid viij yere; and he was enpoysoned with a drynke and died slepynge, the yere of our Lord cccclxviij.

After him regned his brother Uter Pendragon, be whiche was a gode knyght and a worthi; and he weddid a faire lady the whiche was called Ingrene, that was the Erlys wife of Cornewayle, and she came of the lynage of Cornebyus of Troye; and at that tyme was a grete abbicion for the londis name. Some did call hit Brettayne, and some called hit Engelonde; and for the love that Uter had to

^a The names of the eight kingdoms are repeated in a marginal note.

his wyfe, and for the gentill blode that she came of, he named this londe after hir name Ingerne, Englond; and upon hir he gate the doughty Kynge Arthure. And whan Uter hade regned wele worthely xlvij yere, the yere of our Lorde vexvje.

After that regned the gode Kynge Arthur, the worthy con-Arthure querour that conquered many a region. Fyrst he began at Irlande, Skotlond, Norwey and Denmarke, Frannce, Burgoyne, Gascoyne, Gyan, Lombardy, and Almayne, and Romayne; and after he came home ayene into Englonde and regned well and worthely xxvj yere, the yere of our Lorde vcxlije; but where he is beryed the story make no mencion.

After the dethe of Brute unto the regne of Kynge Arthur regnid in Englande diverse kynges, that is for to sey an c, of the whiche was xvj Cristen.

After Arthur regned Constantyne, Erle of Cornwayle, in peese Constantyne, viij yere; and after fell grete stryfe a monge the lordes of the londe, that every lord werred upon oper in dyverse partyes of Englond duryng vj yere, the yere of our Lorde vclvj°.

Aftir him regned Kyng Cordyff, and in his tyme fell so grete wer Cordyff. and stryfe with in this londe sylffe thatt this londe was all moste loste throwe werre, &c. And than came the Saxsones in to this londe that called hem selfe Englisshemen for the name of the name of the Engest, for to conquer the londe, and werred sore upon the Bretons and drove hem oute of this londe in to Walis and Cornwayle, and some in to Litell Brettayne; and pat tyme fell the grete myschefe in this londe, that Cristendome was distroyed through the Saxsones that were paynymes and bethen folke, for they keste downe houses and chirches of religeoun, and quelled all the Cristen folke that they myght come by; and whan the Saxsones had conquered the londe of the Bretones tho they departed the lond a monge hem like as it was in Egestes tyme; and this grete trowble and sorowe dured in this londe xiij yere, the yere of our Lord volxx.

And at that tyme regned Athelbryght, Kynge of Kent, and he Athylbryght, Kyrgo was a gode man and loved well rest and pece; and he had a cosyne Kent.

that was called Sygeberde, a that was Kynge of Westsex, and a noper cosyne, that hight Elfride, the whiche was Kynge of Northehomberlond; and thes thre kynges loved wele peese; mo other kynges ther were, but they were nopinge of theire condicion; and Athilbryght was chefe kynge a bouen hem all. And in the xxv yere of his regne Seint Augustyne came in to Engelonde for to cristen the Englisshe men that were come of the Saxones. And therfor Seint Austyne is called postill of Englond, for he brought fyrst Cristendome to Englisshe folke. But the Bretons that were dwellinge in this londe were Cristen peple many yeres afore. And whan Athilbright was cristen and all his people, sone after he lete make in the honour of God and Seynte Poule the churche of Poules at London.

Fundacio ecclesie Sancti Pauli, Aº Doⁱ 598.

Sygebert, Kyng of Westsex.

Edwyne, Kynge of Northehumberlond.

Oswalde, Kyng [of] Northehumberlond,

Oswyne.

Cadwalader.

Anno of our Lorde vc.iiij^{xx}xviij was the fondacion of the chirche of Poules by Altherbryght. And when this gode Kynge Altherbryght had regnyd after that he was cristened xxj yere, and so he regnyd in all xlvj yere, and than dyed, the yere of our Lord vjc.xvj. And in Athilbryghtes tyme Sygebert was Kyng of Westsex, and he was founder of Westminstre, anno of our Lorde vjc.xv.

After that regned Kynge Edwyne of Northehomberlond above all the kynges of Engelond, and he regnid xj yere, the yere of our Lorde vjc.xxvije.

After him regened Seint Oswalde, Kynge of Northehomberlonde, and he regned above all the kynges of Engelond; and in the ix yere of his regne he was martred, the yere of our Lord vjc.xxxvjc. Aftir hym regned Oswyne, his brother, Kynge of Northehumberlonde, and whan he hade regned xviij yere he dyed, and lythe at Tynmothe, the yere of our Lorde vjc.liiijc.

After hym regnid Cadwaladere of Leyceter for chefe Kynge of Englonde, and he was a Breton; and when he hade regned xij yere ther fell grete stryfe in this londe be twent the Bretones and the

A The "ge" in this name, in both these places, alike in the text and in the margin, is an interlineation by another hand.

Englisshemen, that every kynge werred upon oper. And the same tyme fell so grete derthe of skarssyte that men myght neper gete mete nor drynke to by for no money, for almaner cornes and frutes fayled; and all maner of bestis, bothe wilde and tame, both foules and fysshes, dyed in all maner partes of Engelonde, that men myght no vitayle gett, so grete skarssete ther was; and at that tyme fell the grete mortalite of pestilence, that peple dyed sodeynly goynge in the stretes, with gronyng, fuesynge, and coughynge, slepynge and wakynge, and in all maner weyes peple dyed. Than Kyng Cadwaladre, seynge this grete vengeaunce, he toke a serteyne meyne with him and went him to shippe and forsoke his owne kyngdome, and went in to Lytell Brettayne to his cosyne, Kynge Aleyne, Alanus Rex. and after went to Rome and pere dyed, the yere of our Lorde vjc.lxxvj.

After that Cadwaladre had forsake his owne londe and was in Litell Brettayne, came the noble Quene Sexburga, with a grete Sexburga. nombre of people oute of Saxony, and they toke up all the londe of Northehomberlande to West Walis; and at that tyme were many kyngis in this londe in dyverse parties, and thei werred everyche upon other, and the strengest parti be nome the feblest partyes londes; and so this wer endured many yerys be twene the Bretons and the Englissh. And so, at the laste, Kynge Offa regnid as for Offa. eheffe Kynge of Englonde; and he lete make the Abbaye of Seint [Ki]ng Offa founder of Seynt [Al]bons. Albonys, and he regnid xxvij yere, the yere of our Lord vije and iije.

After him regned his broper sonne, Kynge Alffryde, a gode man Alfryde, and a welbelovyd of all his people, and he regnid xxvj yere.

After him regnid Kynge Osbryght of Northhomberlond, the Osbryght. whiche was slayne in playne bataile; he regned xxvj yere.

After him regnid Kynge Godeyne of Denmarke, and he made Godeyne. werr in this londe durynge many yers, and he regnid xxvij yere.

After him regnid Kynge Albryght of Laycester, the whiche was Albryght. a gode man and a trewe, and loved well peese, and in the viij yere of his regne he was martred, and lith at Hertforde.

Elle.

After him regnid Kynge Elle of Northehomberlonde, in grete weire and stryffe, durynge xxx yere.

Kenelme.

Aftir hym regned Kynge Kenelme, a gode man and an holy, and loved well God and Holy Chirche, and in the v^e yere of his regne he was martred, and lithe at Wynchecombe, the yere of our Lord viijc.xxv yere.

Danys cam yn to Englonde. Anone after came Danys in to Engelonde for to conquer the londe, and made grete werr, and distroyed Cristen peple, and gate all the contrey off Northehomberlonde and Estangle. This wer duryd in this londe xxx yere by the kynge him selffe and his successores, the yere of our Lorde viijc.lv.

Edmonde Kyng [of] Estangle that n[ow] is callyd Northfol[k] and Southfolke.

After him regned Edmond, Kynge of Northefolke, and of all the contre of Southefolke; and the came the Danys off Northehomberlonde and werred upon Englissh men many yeris. After that Hubla and Hungar, that were princes of the Danes, came to Bury, and ther the gode Kynge Edmonde was take, and they bounde him to a tre and shotte him with brode arowes, and after smote of his hede; and so was Seint Edmond, the gode kynge, martred, the xv yere of his regne, the yere of our Lord viijc.lxxje. After that regned Kynge Aluerde of Southesex, and he werred upon the Danys, and at the last discomfied them and toke the kynge prisoner, and brought him to London; and than he besought the kynge of grace, and seyde he wolde become Cristen for his love, and never to make were a yenes him; and ther Kynge Alurede brought him to Westminster, and ther he was baptysed and called Athelstone. And than were all the Danys cristened that were in Engelonde; and for grete joye that Kynge Alured had for the Danys were converted to God he lete make a grete feste and after levid in pees; and Kynge Adelston went home in to Denmarke ayen. And whan Kynge Alurede had regned al most xxx yere he dyed, and lieth worthely enterred at Wynchester, the yere of our Lord ixc primo. After him regnid his sonne that was called the first Edward; he was a gode man and a trewe, and lovyd well pees. And whan he had regned xxiiij yere he dyed, and lithe at London. And the seyde Kynge Edwarde hade

Ahrede was th[e] fyrst anoynted Kyng of Englond, and he was anoynt[ed] at Rome by Pope Leo the iiijih and h[e] was Kyng of Sonthesex.

Edwardus [j] ante Conque[stum].

iiij sonnes, Athelston, Edmond, Eldred, and Edwyn. And that tyme regned the gode knyght Gy of Warwyke, &c.

After Edwarde regned his eldest some Athelstone. And in his Adelstone. tyme was Seint Donstone borne; he regned xvj yere, and lieth at Malmesburye. ^a Aftyr hym reyned hys brother Edmonde, and he Edmonde. reyned vj yere, and lyeth at Glastynbery.

After him renge his broper Eddrede; he regned ix yere, and lythe Eddrede. at Wynchestre.

After him regned his broper Edwyn, crowned at Kyngeston; Edwyne, and whan he hade regned iiij yere he died, and lieth at Wynehester, the yere of our Lorde ixc.lxj.

After Edwyne regnid his sonne Edgare, and crowned at Kynge-Edgare, ston, the wheche was a gode kynge and a worthi; and in his tyme regned the doughti knyght Beves of Hampton. And whan this gode kyng had regned xvj yere he dyed, and lieth at Glastonburye.

After Edgar regnid his sonne Edward the Secounde, a gode Edwardus ij^{us} ante kynge and an holy; and in the iiij yere of his regne his step Conquestum. Iste erat martiratus moder lete him be marterd, and lieth at Shaftisberye, the yere of (sie). our Lord ixc.iiij^{xx} primo.

After hym regned his broper Etheldrede, crowned at Kyngeston, Etheldrede. and he had a sonne that hight Edmonde Irenside. And in his tyme come Kynge Sweyne of Denmarke in to be londe for to conquer this londe. And Kynge Etheldred fled into Normandye, and ther he wedded the Dukes doughter, and begate on hir ij sonnes, Alured and Edwarde, and after came a yene in to Engelonde This Edward is the with his iij sonnes and conquered the lond a yene of the Danes, holy Kyng and afterward levid in pees; and so he regned al most xxxv yere, and lith at London at Poules.

Aftir him regned his sonne Edmond Irensyde, the therd Edmond Edmond Irensyde, of Engelonde, and he regned after his fader all moste ij yere. And iij s Edmundus Anglie. after that he was slayne, sone after that his fader was dede, through a false Dane that hight Edryght of Stratton; and than he was beryed at Glastonburye, the yere of our Lorde M'xvije.

^a This sentence is added in by the hand of the marginal annotator.

Knotte Edmond Irensydes sones.

After hym regned Kynge Knotte, the whiche was a Dane, and he sent over the see to Denmarke be twoo brothers Edward and Edwyne, the whiche were right eyres of Engelonde ther to be distroyed. And Edward went him in to Hungerye, and ther he wedded the kynges doughter; and for he was exiled oute of Englonde, he was called Edward the Outelawe. And whan that Kynge Knought had regned xix yere he dyed, and lithe at Wynchester.

The yere of our Lorde M1 quatragesimo secundo tunc erat a Nativitate Jesu Christi usque ad regnum Sancti Edwardi regis et confessoris.

Fluxerunt divisum a in Anglia centum et septaginta a quinque reges, de quibus Oswynus, Oswaldus, Ethelbristes, Kenelmus, Edmundus, Edwardus, martinizati; a Constans, Edwaldus, Sebertus, Wynfridus, Etheldredus, Edbertus, Offa and Kynredus in monachatum sepulti, anno M¹xl.

After the dethe of Kynge Knoght the Englisshe men wolde not suffre the Danes no more to regne in Engelonde, but drove hem Sanctus Edwardus et oute of this londe. And than was the gode holy man Seint Confessor fuit primus Edward the Confessoure crowned Kynge of Engelonde; and in the ij vere of his regne he was crowned at Wynchester, the vere Conquestum. Tamen of our Lord M'xlije. And he was the fyrst anounted kynge that ever was in Engelande, and he regned well and worthely; and he did make many gode statutes and lawes, the whiche ben used yette in this londe; and he wedded a wyfe and levyde in clennes and virginite all his lyffe, and so he dyed, and lith at Westmester shryned. The forsaide gode Kynge Edwarde regned here xxv yere, the yere of Lorde Mlxve.

unctus rex in Ang[lia], et fuit iijus rex Edwardus ante Rex Alver[edus] fuit unctus ante h[ae] per papam Leonem iiij^{um} in Roma.

Rex Haraldus.

After the dethe of Seint Edward, Harolde, Duke of Westsex, that was Godewynes sonne, a Dane, had sesed al Englonde in to his honde a yene the right. And therfor he regned but a while for his untrouthe, for he was sworne upon a boke that he shulde have wedded Duke Williams bastard doughter of Normandye, and

Harolde shulde have kepte the realme of Engelond to Duke Williams be hove, but Harolde seised alle in his owne hondis, and therfor Duke William conquered the londe of him and slowe him in bataille in the seconde yere of his regne in a felde beside Tonbrygge. And Kynge Haroll lithe buryed in the abbaye of Waltham, the vere of our Lord Mlxij. And the bataill was done upon Sevnt Kalixtes daye, &[c].

After him regned William Bastarde that was Duke of Normandy, Willelmus the whiche conquered all Engelond, and discomfide all the Danes, and drove hem oute of England, and after conquered all Scotland, and made the Kynge of Scottis his liege man. And he was crowned at Westminster on Cristmas day; and whan he had regned xvij yere, po he made William Rouse his secunde sonne Kynge of Engelond, and him selfe went in to Normandye and levid there iiij vere after; and tho he fell seke and dyed, and lithe beryed at Cane William Rowse ij us in Normandyc.

Aftir him regned his sonne William the Rous, the whiche was The iijde sone of crowned at Westmester by his faders lyve, the yere of our Lorde Wylliam Conquerour was callyd Rychard, Mlxxxvj°; whiche kynge was a contraryous man bothe to God and whiche decesyd. to Holy Chirche, for he distroyed and kest downe xxvj townes and lij chirches and houses of religion for to make the Newe Forest; and after he was slayne with an arowe in the same forest, the xxiij yere of his regne, and lieth at Wynchester.

filius, dyed wtowte yssue.

After him regned his brother Henry Bewelek, the iiij sonne of Henricus Primus William Conquerour, the whiche is called the first kynge Henry of iiij us filins. Engelonde, and he was crowned at Westmester the v day of August, the yere of our Lord M.c. Anone after he spoused Dame Maude, Kynge Matelyns b doughter, of Scotlond, and upon hir he begate ij sonnes, William and Richarde, and a doughter, the whiche was maryed to the Emperour of Almayne. And after the kynges ij

^a In the margin occurs the following note by another hand: "Robert Curthos primogenitus cui Willelmus Conquestor in sua morte reliquit sibi totam Normaniam, ut habetur in alia cronica."

b Malcolm.

sonnes were drevyn over the see in a tempest of weder. And when Kynge Henry the First had regned almoste xxxv yere he dyed and lithe beryed at the abbaye of Redynge, wherof he was founder, the

yere of M1.C.

Stephyn.

After him regned his nevewe Stephen, the which was kynge Herryes sister sonne, an erlis sonne of Boleyn, and he was erowned at Westmester anone after that his uncle Kynge Henry was dede; and that was no right; for Henry the empres sonne shulde have be

kynge after the right rule and lyne, and therfor was grete stryfe betw[e]ne hem; and whan Kynge Stephen had regned all moste xix yere he died and lieth at Feversam. After Kynge Stephen regnyd

Henry the Secunde, that was the Empresse sonne, and he was

erowned at Westmester on the day of Conception of Our Lady by for Cristmas the yere of our Lorde M.c.liii. And in the xvj yere of

his regne was Seynt Thomas, at that tyme Archebisshope of Caunterbery, marterd for the right and feythe of Holy Chirche, the yere

of our Lor M'clxxje. This Henry helde a paramour besyde the quene, the whiche was called Rosamoundes Bowre. And by the

quene he had ij sonnes, Richard was the first, and John was the

secunde. And when he had regned xxxv yere he dyed in Fraunce, and lieth at Fownte Everrard, the yere of our Lorde M¹ciiijxxixe.

After him regned his sonne Richarde the Fyrst, the whiche was called Richard the Conquerour, and he was crowned at Westmester sone after his faders disses, and after he wente into the Holy Londe with a grete oste of peple, and ther he werred upon the hethen folke and gate agene all that Cristen men had lost a for tyme; and as this worthi conquerour came homwarde he mett with his enmyse at the Castell Gaylarde, for ther he was shott with a quarell and died in the x yere of his regne, and he was buryed at Fownte Everarde be side his fader, the vere of our Lorde M.c.iiijxxxix, and

died withoute yssewe.

Aftir Kynge Richarde the Fyrst regnid his brother John, that ever was a contraryous man to God and to Holy Chirche and to all the comyn peple, and therfor all Englond was enterdited for vij

Henricus ijdus,

Martirium Sancti Thome Cantuariensis Archiepiscopi.

Ricardus Primus.

Rex Johannes.

yere; and in his tyme Seint Hewe of Lyncole diede. And in his tyme was lost myche londe of Gascoyne, Brettayne, and Normandy. And in his tyme was grete derthe, for a peny lofe was worthe xija; and for his wekid rede a monke of the Abbay of Swyneshede yave him poyson to drynke, and so he died in the xviii yere of his regne, and lieth at Worcester, the yere of our Lord M¹CCXVie.

The yere of our Lord M¹C[C]iiij^{xx}xviij was the fundacioun of the Fre[re] Prechores.

The yere of our Lorde Miccvj was the fundacioun of the order off the Frere Menures.

After the dethe of Kynge John was crowned his son Kyng Henry the Therde, at Glowceter, on Seint Symons day and Jude, of a leget of Rome that hight Swalowe, a that come into England to make peece be twene Lowes of Fraunce and Kynge Henrye; and in the iiij yere of his regne he was crowned at Westmester, of the Erchebisshope of Caunterbery, by the comen assent of all the lordes of Englonde; and in the same yere was Seint Thomas of Caunterberye Translacio Sancti translated; and in the yere of grace MICCXX°, and in the xlviij yere Anno Domini 1220. of his regne, began the werre betwene Kynge Herry and his lordes of the realme for diverse causes for the comyne wele of England, and therfor was the batayle at Lewes on Seint Paneras daye in May; and ther Sir Symonde Momford, Erle of Leyeester, had the victorye; and in that battaylle the kinge him selfe was taken, and Sir Edwarde his sonne; and Syr Richarde, Earle of Cornwayle, that was the kynges brother, and many oper lordis were in warde of the forsaide Sir Symonde. And the nexte yere after thatt b and the next yere after that b aboute the myddis of August was the batavll of Batyl of Ewsh[am]. Evessham be twene Kynge Henry and the barones of this londe, and ther was slayne Sir Symond Moundford and his sonne and many other lordis, and in the lvij yere of his reg[n]e he died, and lieth at Westmester, on Seynt Edmondis day M¹CCXiij.

Aftir Kynge Henry regued his sone Edwarde the First with Edwardus Primus post Conquestum,

wyth the longe shankys.

longe shankes, the whiche was crowned at Westmestre sone after his faders death in the yere of grace MICClxxiiij.

This Kynge Edwarde was a gracious man, for wher so ever he came in any londe he had the victorye of his enemyes; and he toke homage of Kynge Elysaundre of Scotlonde, and discomfyde Newlyn Preince of Walis, and conquered all the londe, and toke Irlonde in to his honde. And by his first wyfe he hade a sonne that was called Edwarde of Carnervan; after that died the quene. And tho he spowsed Quene Margerett, Kynge Phelippes sister of Fraunce; and upon hir he begatte ij sonnes, Thomas Bretherton, Erle Marchall, and Emond of Wodstoke his broper. And when he had regned well and worthely all moste xxxv yere he died, and lithe at Westmester Mlcccvije.

Anno Domini M'cccvj, Invencio nove solempnitatis Corporis Christi.

Edwardus ijus post Conquestum.

After him regnid his sonne Edward of Carnarvan, and he was crowned at Westmester the xx daie of Feverell in the yere of our Lorde M'cccvije. And in the same yere he spoused Isabell, Kyng Phelippes doughter of Fraunce, in the chirche of Bolayne, and he brost hir in to England. And in the same yere followinge Destruccio Templari- were the Templers dist[r]oied thorowe all Cristendome for hir mysbeleve and untrowith that they used.

orum.

Anone after Robert le Bruse, Kynge of Scotland, came oute of Northe Wales with a grete pussaunce of peple and werred sore in Northehomberlonde and distroyed all the contrey. And than Kynge Edward was scomfide and put to flight and many of his lordis slayne, for ther was so grete nombre of Scottis, x men ayenest one Englisshe man. The batayll was upon Seint Johns daye Baptist, in the yere of our Lord Mlcccxije yere, and in the ve yere of his regne. And in the same yere was borne at Wyndesore Edward the Thred, upon Seint Bricis daye. And in the xv yere of his regne fell grete debate be twene the kynge and the gode lordis of this lond for thei helden with the comyne wele of be lond. Wherfor Sir Thomas, the gode Erle of Laneaster, was be heded at Pomfrett, and many oper barons and knyghtes for the same eause, and all

Edwardus Tertius natus.

Sanctus Thomas comes Lancastrie decollatus.

through the false counsell of the Spencers, the fader and the sonne, the whiche were the robbers of this londe. And in the same yere fell a grete derthe in this londe, for a quarter of whete Quarterium frumenti, was solde for xls., the yere of our Lord Mcccxxje. After that, xls. by false counsaill off the Spencers, Kynge Edward exiled Quene Isabelle his wiffe, and Sir Edwarde his eldest sonne, oute of England, and went in to France; and after that thei came a yene in to England with a grete strenthe of people. And Sir John Hennawde, the erles brother of Hennawde, come with hem with all the power that he myght to strenthe hem in right; and thei londed fast by Herwiche in Southefolke; tho all the contre fell to them and held with hem to distroye the venym of London. And anone thei toke the kynges counsellours, that is to sey, the fader and sonne called the Spencers and Maister Robert Baldok, a fals peled clerke, that was chaunceler of Englond. And Maister Water Stapilton, that was bo Bysshoppe of Exceter and Tresourere of Engelond, and be Erle of Arondell, and many oper that was consent to them, thei were done to dethe in sondrye wise, some hanged and quarterd and some beheded. And so by counsayll of all the lordis of Englond, Kynge Edwarde of Carnarvan was deposed and put downe of his kyngdome, in the yere of our Lorde M¹CCCXXVje, in the xix yere of his regne.

And anone after that was Kyng Edward the Thred of Wyndsore Edwardus iiif cius] crowned at Westmester the first day of Feverell, and in the xv yere post Conquestum. of his age; and this Kynge Edwarde was called the floure of knyghtehode of all Cristendome. And in the same yere, through counsell of Quene Isabell and Sir Roger Mortymer, was Sir Edward of Carnarvan brost from the castell of Kyllingworthe to Berkle, and fro thens to the castell of Corffe; and ther he was mortherd betwene ij feber beddis, and an hote brenynge spitt put in his fondement, and so brent his bodi with in; and that was on Seint Matheus dave in Septembre; and the was he enterred at Glowceter. And in the nexte vere folowynge Kynge Edward spowsed Quene Phelippe, the Erles doughter of Hennawde, at Yorke, upon the feste of Convercion of Seint Poule, the yere of our Lord Mcccxxvije. And

while Kynge Edward was of tender age he suffred many prejudice done in Engelonde, for Quene Isabell and Sir Roger Mortymer ruled all Engelond as hem liked. But aftir King Edward redressed hit full wele bi his discrete counsell, and chastesid the traytors and the rebellis of England full wele and manfully. And in the third yere of his regne, Edmond of Wodstok, that was the kynges uncle, was be hedid at Wynchestre wrongfully, and all throwe Sir Roger Mortymer that was late made Erle of Marche; and sone aftir, for his grete eovetise and falshede that he did to all the realme, he was drawen and hanged at Tiborne upon Seint Andres evyn, the v yere of his regne. After that, he went in to Scotland, and conqured a yene all be fewte and homage that the Scottes owid to the erowne And in the vi yere of his regne was the batayle at off Englond. Hayldon Hill besides Berwyk; and at that batayle was slayne xxxvMlvijc and xij of Scottes and nombred by herawdes, and of English men but xxvij persones, thanked be God, for this was a grete victorye. And this was upon Seint Margaretes even, the yere of our Lorde Mcccxxxij. And after that he conquered all Scotland, and made the Kynge of Scottes his liege man, to do him fewte and homage as he ought of right. And in the xiiij yere of his regne Kynge Edwarde made him redy with a grete nombre of peple for to go in to Fraunce, for to chalange the crowne be right tytell and erytaunce by his moder Quene Isabell. And Kynge Karoll died with oute issewe, and Phelipp Valeys, his emys sonne, ocupyed the crowne ayenes right. And so Kynge Edward and his oste were shipped taward Fraunce, and thought to lande in Flaundres ther as Phelippe of Valoys was with grete navye of dyverse nacions. And so Kynge Edward and his oste aryved with his navy in the haven of Skluse. And the viij day off Julii ther was a grete bataylle, and ther was slavne of the Frensshe partye xxxm1 men, and oure kynge toke per many grete shippis and cogges and hulkes. so that tyme Kynge Edwarde hade a gracious victory, in the yere of our Lord Mcccxl. And in the xviij yere of his regne the kynge made his eldest sonne Edward, Prince of Walys, Duke of Cornwayle and Erle of Chester. And in the xxj yere of his regne wa

the bataylle of Cressey, the xxvj daye of August. Ther were slayne and take many grete lordis of Frannee, and the Frensshe kynge was put to flight, the yere of our Lorde Mcccxlvjti. And in the therday of Septembre nexte following Kynge Edward laide sege to Calys, the whiche contenewed unto the iij daye of August, the nexte yere after, and than hit was yelden up for evir, bothe towne and eastell, the yere M'.iijc.xlvijti. And in the same yere duringe the sege was the Kynge off Scottes sore werrynge in Englond, and robbed and revid the contre aboute Derham; and so ther was taken Kynge David of Scotlonde, the Erle Mountyf, Sir William Douglas, and many oper, the whiche were brought to the Toure of London; and than was the Kynge of Scotlonde taxed at an C.M1. marke to be paid in x yere dave. And in the nexte yere after was the grete pestilence at London, from Michelmas to Lammas. And in the xxv yere of his regne ther was a grete bataill on the see with the Spaynardes upon the coste of Wynehilsey, and ther were taken xxiiijti grete shippis off Spayne. And in the xxviij yere of his regne was a corde made be twene Kyng Edward and the Frensshe kynge, so that he shulde have Normandye, Gascoyne, and Gyane in pees. And anone after died Phelippe of Valeys. Tho was his sonne John made Kynge of Fraunce, and he did myche harme in Gascoyne, and distroyed all the contre. Tho went Prince Edward to Burdeux for to kepe the contrey. After the one and therty yere of his regne was the bataylle of Peyters, the xx day of Septembre; and ther was taken Kynge John of Fraunce and Phelipp his sonne, and many oper lordis, the whiche Prince Edward brought in to England to Kyng Edwarde his fader; the whiche Kyng John was taxed at iij melyons of scutis, that is to sey, vc.m1.li. of mony. And in the xxxiiij yere of his regne Syr John off Gawnte, Erle of Rychemond, that was Kyng Edwardes therde sonne, spoused Dame Blanche, Duke Henryes doughter of Lancastre, by dispensacion of the Pope, the xiiij day of Julij, and than was made pees be twene Englond and Fraunce. And the nexte yere after was the grete wynde upon Seynt Maurys daye in June, Ao M.cccxlj. Also the

same yere be for the grete wynde was be secunde pestilence, in the whiche died the noble man and myghty Harry, Duke of Laneaster. And than was Sir John of Gaunte, Erle of Rychemond, made Duke of Lancaster, for he hade spowsed Duke Henry doughter. And in the same yere Prynee Edward spoused the Countes of Kentt; also in be same yere Sir Lionell, Kynge Edwardes sonne, was made Duke of Clarence, and Sir Edmond of Langley was made Duke of Yorke, and Sir Thomas Wodstok was made Duke of Glowcester. Alle thes v lordes were Kyng Edwardis sonnes. And in the xxxix yere of his regne came iii kynges in to this londe for to speke with Kyng Edward, that is to sey, the kynge of Siprys, the kynge of Fraunce, and the Kynge of Scotlond; and in the same yere died Kyng John off Fraunce, in Engelonde, at Savoye, in be Dukis place of Langastre. And in the xlj yere of his regne was Richard, Prince Edwardes sonne, born at Burduex; and in the xliij yere of Kynge Edwarde dyed that noble Quene Philippe of Englond, and lithe at Westmester enterred, the yere of oure Lord MICCC.lxix. And in the same yere was a grete derthe in Engelond, a busshell of whete was worthe xld. Also the xlvij yere of his regne the Duke of Lancaster spoused the kynges doughter of Spayne, and the Duke of Yorke spoused that oper doughter. And in the l. yere of his regne dyed the noble Preince Edwarde, the viij day of Jun, in the feste of the Trinite, and lieth at Caunterbury. And in the nexte yere followynge died the noble conquerour Kynge Edwarde the iiie, of Wyndsore, flour of knyghthode, at Shene the xxj daye of June, and lieth worthely enterred at Westmester, in the yere of our Lorde Mlccclxxvje.

Ricardus ij^{us}, filius Edwardi Tercii.ª And in the lj yere of his regne regned Richard the Secounde, the whiche was Prince Edwardis sonne after the right lyne, and he was erowned kynge at Westmester the xvj day of Julij, in the yere

^a The annotator here commits the gross blunder of representing Richard II. as the son, instead of grandson, of Edward III.; and, not content with this inaccuracy in the margin, be has written over "Prince Edwardis sonne" in the text the words "Edwardus iijus" above the line.

a forseyde, at the age of xj. And whiles the kynge was in yonge age certeyn lordis of the realme ruled the londe as hem list; and so thei made an ordenaunce amonge hem in the iiij yere of his regne that every man, woman, and childe in this londe of the age of xiiij yere and above shulde paye to tallage iiii d., pore man and other; the whiche ordenaunce was cause of myche trouble and sorowe in this londe. Wherfor anone after in the somer followinge for the comyns of this londe a resyn up in diverse parties of the realme and deden myche harme, the whiche was called the hurlyng tyme, The Hurlyng tyme. the yere of our Lord Ml.ccc.lxxxje.

And the comenys of Kent and Essex rysen up and gaderd hem togeder, and came to London the xiiij day of Junij, and as it fell in the yere hit was the Fridaye after Corpus Christi daye, and they toke Sir Symond Sudbery, Erchebisshoppe of Caunterburye, and Sir Robert Halis, Priour of Seint Johnis, and a White Frere, that was the kynges confessore, and other mo, and brought hem to the Toure Hill and smoten of her hedis, and come a yene to London, and slowe men of lawe and false juges, and all the alyauntes that thei couthe owher fynde, and smoten of her hedis and toke awey ther godis, and wenten to Savey and distroyed and wasted all that was ther, and sett fyre on the place when they went, and dedyn moche harme in many placis with in the cite and with oute at Westmester; thei sparid none. And this horlynge endured iij dayes, and no man durst sett upon hem, the nombre was so grete. And be Monday following William Walworthe, that tyme being Meyre Wylliam Walworth of London, slowe Jack Strawe with his owne hondes, and lete slow Jak Strawe. smyte of his hede, and set it on London Brigge. And a none, as the capteyn was dede, every man fled a wey as hit had never ben thei. And the v yere of his regne Kynge Richard spoused Quene Anne, the kynges doughter of Beam and Emperour of Almayne, apon Seint Fabian and Sebastians daye, in the Abbaye of Westmester. And upon Seint Vincentes daye a nexte followynge she was

a After "Scint Vincentes daye" about a line and a-half is crossed out, beginning "of May was the Erthe quake." The erased words occur in the text immediately below; which shows that the MS, is bere a copy and that the transcriber had missed a line.

Terre motus.

erowned. And in the same yere, the xxj daye of May, was the erthequake, the Wenesday a for Witsonday, the yer of our Lord M.ccc.lxxxijti. And in the nexte yere following Syr Richard Spencer, Bysshuppe of Norwyche, went over the see in to Flaundres with holy water stickys, and ther he gate the towne of Gravenyng, Borborowe, Dunkerk, and Newporte. And ther was done a grete bataylle be twene the Englisshe men and the Flemynges, but the Englisshe men had the victorye. And in the xi yere of Kynge Richarde v lordis of England a ryssen at Ratcote to brynge in the discenceion the rebellis bat were that tyme in the realme. The first was Sir Thomas of Wodstok, the kynges uncle and Duke of Gloucester, and Sir Richard, Erle of Arondell, and Sir Richard, Erle of Warwyk, Sir Henry Bolyngbrok, Erle of Derby, and Sir Thomas Moubraye, Erle of Notyngham. And these v lordes seynge the myschefe and falssed of the Kynges Counsell, these v lordes thought to amend hit, and a none the chefe lordes of the kynges counsell fled over the see; that is to say, Sir Elysander Nevell, Erchebisshuppe of Yorke, and Sir Robert Vere, Marques of Develyn, the Erle of Oxenford, and Sir Michell Poole, Erle of Southefolk, and Chaunseler of Englond. And thes lordes went over the see and came no more a yene, for ther they dyed; sone after was Sir Robert Tresylyan, justice, Sir Nicoll Brembre, knyght and alderman of London, and Sir John Salysbury, knyght of the kynges householde, and Thomas Huske, sergeauntes of armes, and Thomas Blake, elerke of the kynges house, were drawen, hanged, and by heded at Tiborne. And Sir Symonde Beverle, a knyght of the garter, and Sir John Beehamp, knyght and stiward of the kynges housholde, a[nd] Sir James Berners, and oper mo were be hedid at the Toure Hill. And in the xvij yere of his renge dyed the Quene Anne in be maner of Shene upon Witsondaye, and lithe at Westmester, the yere of our Lord M1.CCC.iiijxxxiiije.

And in the xx yere of his regne Kyng Richarde spoused Quene Isabell the kynges doughter of Fraunce in the towne of Caleys, and after she was brought in to Englond and crowned at Westmester the Sonday after Seint Clementes daye. And the xxv day of August

nexte followinge, by evill exitacion and false counsell, and for pure malice that Kynge Richarde had to his uncle and to other lordes, he rode to Plaschey, and ther Kyng Richard a rested hem with his owne handes, Sir Thomas of Wodstock Duke of Glowcester, and comannded him to Caleys, and there he was morthered betwene ij feder beddes; and on Seint Matheus day nexte after was Sir Richard, the gode Erle of Aroundell, be heded at the Toure Hill, and Sir Richard Erle of Warwyk and the Lorde Cobham were dampned at Westmester to perpetuell preison. And in the same yere fell grete dissencion be twene the Erle of Derby and Sir Henry Bolyngbroke, the whiche was made Duke of Herfford, and the Erle Marchall, that was newe made Duke of Northefolke for serteyne poyntes, in so myche they waged batayll to have fought with in listes, and ther place was assigned at Coventre where be batayll shulde be. But at the last the kynge of his gode grace toke hit in his honde and wolde not suffre hem to fyght, but exiled the Duke of Herfford for the term of x yere and the Duke of Northfolke for ever. And Sir Thomas Aroundel, Erchebisshuppe off Caunterbury, deposyd of his cee and exiled for ever. Tho went thes lordes in to dyverse londes. And a none Kyng Richard sett all Englond to ferme to iiii persones, to Sir William Scrowpe, Busshe, Bagott, and Grene, the whiche brost in myche tene. And Kyng Richard went him selffe in to Ireland. Anone came tidynges in to Fraunce to Sir Henry Bollyngbroke whate governaunce was in Engelond, and anone he came downe to Caleys with his meyne that he had, and met ther with Sir Thomas of Arondell, pat was Erchebysshuppe of Caunterbery, and cam over the see in to Englond a yene, and londed at Rayonspor in the northe contre. And when thei were londed all the contre fell downe to them and were joifull of his comynge in helpinge of hem and destroyenge of the fals rule and governaunce of the londe. This was in the xxij yere of the regne of Kynge

a The original text read "Sir John Busshe;" but "John" is crossed through and "Wylliam Scrowpe" inserted in the margin by another hand, with a caret in the text after the cancelled word.

Richard. Than came he home oute of Irland in haste, and come to the Castell of Flyntt, and thought to take his counsell whate was best to done. Anone all is men forsoke him and lefte him alone. Tho was Kynge Richarde taken and doen in warde in the Toure of London, and by comon assent of al the lordis of Englonde he was deposed and put downe of this riall realme and kyngdome. Tho he was put in to the Castell of Pomffrett and kept full streyte terme of his lyfe. And than was Sir William Scrowpe, Busshe, Baggott, and Grene were done to dethe for her false covetise. Aftir the deposinge of Kynge Richard the ijde, Henry of Bolyngbrok, Erle of Derby, Duke of Herford, and Duke of Lancaster, by all the Comyns assent was made kynge for his worthines. And so Henry the iiije was crowned at Westmester upon Seint Edwardis daye in Octobre, the vere of our Lord M.CCC.iiijxxxixe. And a none after he made Henry his eldist sonne Prince of Walys, Duke of Cornwayle and Erle of Chester. And in the fyrst yere of his regne Kynge Richard died in the Castell of Poumffrett and was beryed at Langeley. On whose soule God have mercy. And in the same yere the Duke of Surrey, the Duke of Excester, the Erle off Salisbury, the Erle of Glowcester, and oper moo of ther affynite were accorded to sle the kynge at Cristmas a twelffe nyght, with a momynge at Wyndsore. But the kynge had knowlech ther of, and came to London in haste. And thes lordes wiste wele that they were be wrayed and fled awaye, and after they were taken and put to dethe.

William Conquerour.b

Wylliam Conqueroure reyned xxj yere.

This myghti William, Duke of Normandie, as bokes olde maketh mencion, be juste title and by chevalrye made kynge be conquest

Henricus iiijtus.

^a There is no stop here in the MS, the punctuation of which is evidently wrong. The sentence ends with "Kynge Richard," the words "the ij^{de}" being added by the corrector's hand. A mark is also put to indicate the beginning of a new sentence at "Henry of Bolyngbrok."

^b What follows is a corrupt text of Lydgate's Verses on the Kings of England which I printed from another MS. in "Collections of a London Citizen" edited for the Camden Society in 1876. They are here printed precisely as they stand in this M

of Brutes Albyon, put oute Harrolde and toke possession, and bare the crowne full xxj yere, buryed at Cane, thus saithe the crone-klere.

Next in ordre succession William Ruffus, his sonne, crowned wylliam Ruffus xiiij kynge with gode devocion, distroyed chirches of olde and newe yere, bildinge for to make a forest plesaunt for huntynge; xiiij yere he bare his crowne in dede; beryed at Wynchester, in the cronekle ye may rede.

His broper nexte, called the fyrst Henrye, was at London Herry the fyrst, erow[n]ed kynge, as y fynde, whose broper Robert, Duke of Nor- xxxiij yere. mandye, be ganne on him to werre, the eronycle maketh mynde. Reconciled, all rancoure sett be hynde, full xxxiij, be record of writynge, yerys he regned; beryed at Redynge.

His cosyne Stephen, whan first Henry was dede, tawarde Eng- Stephyn, xix yere lond can crosse his sayle; the Erchebysshope sett upon his hede a riche crowne, beynge of his counsell; xix yere with sorowe and grete travaile he bare his crowne, had he no rest; at Feversham lithe beryed in his cheste.

Harry the Secounde, sonne to thEmpryse, was crowned nexte, Herry the ijth, xxxv a full manly knyght, as bokes olde playnly dothe expresse; this yere. saide Henry, be forwarde forse and myghte, slowe Seint Thomas for Holy Chirche right; xxxv yere reyned, hit is made in mynde. Att Fownt Everard lythe beryd, as I fynde.

Richard his sonne, next be succession, fyrst of that name, stronge, Richarde the fyrst, hardy, and notable, was crowned kinge; called Cure de Lyon, with Lyon, ix yere. Sarsyne hedis servid at his table; slayne at Gayliarde by deth full lementable; the space of him regned fully ix yere; his herte beryed at Rome at the high autere.

Nexte Kynge Richard regned his broper John; after sone entred Kyng John, xviij into Fraunce, lost Anjoye and Normandy anone. This londe entir11ted by his governaunce, and, as it is put in remembraunce, xviij
12yers was kyng of this region; lithe at Worseter, dede with poyson.

Hanry the iij^e, his sonne, of ix yere of age, was at Glouceter Herry the iij^{de},

a So in MS., instead of Rone, i. e. Rouen,

crowned, as I rede; longe werr he had with his baronage, gretly delited in almesdede; lvj yere he regned I rede; beryed at Westmester, by recorde of writinge. The day of Seint Edward was made kynge.

Edwarde the fyrs[t.] xxxv yere, with the longe sh[ankes].

Edward the First, with shankes longe, was after crowned, that was a gode knyght; wanne Scotlond, magry the Scottes stronge; and all Walis, spite of her myght; durynge his lyve manteyne trouthe and right; xxxv yere he was kynge; lithe at Westmester for trouthe and no lesynge.

Edward the ij^{de}, called Edwar[de of] Carnarv[on], xix yere.

Edward, his sonne, called Carnarvan, succedinge after to make his alyaunce, as the cronekyll will recorde, wedded the doughter of the Kynge of Fraunce. Thomas Lancaster, by dethe he toke vengaunce; xix yere helde he his rigalye. Beryed at Glowcester as bokes specefie.

Edwarde the iij^d, lij yere. The iij Edward, borne at Wyndsore, myche in knyght hode he hade gre preise; enherytor of Fraunce, with outen more, bare in his armes iij lyons and iij floures de lyse. And he gate Caleys with his prudent devyse. Regned in Englond lij a yere, lyth at Westmester, this seith the Cronecle[re].

Rycharde the ij^{de} , xxij yere.

Sonne to Prince Edwarde, Kynge Richard the ij. In whose tyme was pees and plenty. Wedded Quene Anne, of Almayne, as it is fownde; Isabell of Fraunce, who lust to see; xxij yere, he regned here parde. At Langley buryed first, so stode the case. After to Westmester his body caryed was.

Herry the iiijth, xiiij yere.

Harry the fourthe, nexte crowned in certeyne, a famouse knyght and of grete semblenesse, from his exile whan he came home agayne, travaylled after with wer and grete sekenes; xiiij yere regned in sothnesse. Buryed at Caunterbery, in that holy place God of his mercy do his soule grace.

Herry the vth, ix yere.

The ve Henrye, of knyghthode lodester, wyse and right manly to termyne right. Fortunate preved in pees and werre. Erthly expert and mercyall displyn, worthi to stonde a monge the worthie

a Corrected into "lj," the "i" being erased with the knife.

ix. Regned ix yere, who list have rewarde; lieth at Westmester not far from Seint Edwarde.

Harry the vj^e, crowned at Westmester and at Paryse; in his Herry the vj^e, xxxix youthe he had grete noblenes, bothe in England and Fraunce; and yere. in his last daies ther fell grete distance through his false counsell that was covetowse, he was put downe from the crowne by all the comyns. So he regned kynge here all moste xxxix yere.

The names of the Kepers and Baylyffes of the Cite of London in the tyme of Kynge Richarde the fyrst, the whiche was crowned iij Ricardus Primus, daye of Septembre.

Henry Cornhill, Richard Remer, Baylyves Ao primo.

The same day of the kynges coronacion all the Jewes that were founde or myght be take were distroyed as well be nyght as by day.

John Herlyon, Roger Duke, Baylyves Aº ij.

William Averyll, John Boknott, Bayllives Ao iije.

Nicholas Dukett, Peter Newlyn, Bailyves the iiije yer.

Roger Dewke, Richard Aleyn, B. the v yere.

William FitzIsabell, William FitzArnulff, B. the vj.

The same yere the kynge comyng homard warde from Jerusalem was take wythe the Duke of Ostrych and was rawnsoned, and for to pay his rawnson cuche other chalis throwe this londe was coyned in monye.

Robert Besaunt, Jokerell Josue, Baylives the vij.

Gerrard Antilache, Robert Durant, B. the viij.

Roger Blont, Nicholas Dukett, B. the ixe.

Costotinus Arnulff, Robert Lovell, B. pe xe yere.

This yere dyed Kynge Richard, and lythe at Powntlarge.

The names of the Kepers and Baylyves in Kynge Johns tyme, Rex Johannes, the Assencion daye of our Lorde at Westmester.

Arnolde Arnulffsone, Richard Darthy, B. be j yere.

This yere the kynge had of every plowelond in þis lond iij s.

Roger Dosett, Jamys Darthy, B. the ij yere.

This yere died Seint Hugh of Lyncolne.

Water FizAlis, Simond Alderman, B. the iij yere.

Norman Blonden, John Ely, B. the iiije.

This yere England and Walys was enterdited, the whiche dured v yere.

Water Browne, William Chamburlayne, B. pe v yere.

Thomas Averyll, Hamonde Bronde, B. the vie.

This yere began the Order of Frere Prechurs.

John Waldgrave, Richard Wynchestre, B. the vije.

John Holylonde, Edmond Gerrard, B. viije.

Roger Wychester, Edmond Hardell, B. ix.

This yere Henry the kynges sonne was borne, and the enterdityng sessed.

Λ° x° Regis Johannis, a° vero Domini 1210.

All presentes that was Kepers and Baylyves at that tyme were put downe, and chosyn Mayr and Shoreffes for the Cite of London.

Primus major, quia ante fuerunt ballivi.

This yere the chirche of Seint Mary Overes was fyrst founded.

1211. iij. Harry Alwyn, Meir

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Harry Alwyn, Meir} & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Petir Joswe} \\ \text{William Glond} \\ \text{Adam Wittley} \\ \text{Stephen Legras} \end{array} \right\} \text{ the xje.} \end{array}$$

This yere the kynge wente in to Irelonde, and made the rebelles sogetis to hym.

1212. iiij.

This yere Sowthewerke, London, the Brygge, and the most part of the Cite of London, was brent.

Harry Alwyn, Meir { Raff Holylond | Costantyne Joswe } the xiiije.

This yere the stone brygge was fyrste be gon, and Castell Baynarde destroyed.

1214, iiiij.	Roger Aleyn, Meir	Martyn FizAlis Petyr Batte	the xve.
1215, j°.	Serle Mercer, Meir	Salman Basynge Hugh Basyng	þ ^e xvj ^e .
1216.	William Hardell, Meir	John Travers Hugh Basynge	þ ^e xvij ^e .

This yere, the morne after Seint Lukys day, dyed Kyng John, and is beryed at Wursceter.

The name of the Meyres and Shoresses of London in the renge Henricus iij^{as}. of Kyng Henry the iij^c, the whiche was crowned at Glowcester in thest ^a of Simond and Jude.

Jacob Alderman,	Benet Coventre	$\left. \left\{ ight. ight. p^{\mathrm{e}} \mathrm{~j.} \right. \right.$
Meir	Benet Coventre William Blunttravers	∫ γ J.
Serle Mercer, Meir	Thomas Bokerell Rauff Holylond	$\left. ight\} { m A}^{ m o} { m ij}^{ m e}.$
Serle Mercer, Meir	{ John Wayle { Josevus Spicer	} þe iije.

This yere the kynge had of every plowe londe ijs. And the same yere Seint Thomas of Caunterbery was translatyd, I yere aftir that he was martred.

	(Richard Wymbyldey John Waylle	A. $iiij^e$.
Scrle Mercer, Meyr) Richard Renger) Josevus Ruff	$\bigg\} \ A^{\circ} \ v^{\circ}.$
	Richard Rengee Josevus Ruff	$\Big\} \ \ \Lambda^\circ \ vj^e.$

This yere the kynge was in purpose to caste downe the wallys of London.

a So in MS.

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Richard Renger,
Mair

Thomas Lambard

This yere came Frere Mynours first in to Englonde.

Richard Renger,
Meyre

Andrewe Bokerell
Roger Duke
Martyn FizWilliam
Stephen Bokerell
Harry Cobham

the viije.

John Travers
Andrewe Bokerell
Roger Duke
Martyn FizWilliam
Stephen Bokerell
Harry Cobham

the xi.

This yere all the weerys that were in Temmes were distroyed by the kynges ordynaunce. And the same yere the kynge graunted to the Cite of London waren.

 $\begin{array}{ll} {\rm Roger\ Duke,\ Meir} & \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} {\rm Stephen\ Bokerell} \\ {\rm Harry\ Cobham} \end{array} \right\}\ A^{\rm o}\ xij^{\rm e}.^{\rm a} \end{array}$

This yere the kynge grawnted that eche Shereffe of London sholde have ij Clerkis and ij Sergauntes and no moo. Also the kynge graunted to the Citezeynes of London that thei shulde have a Comyne Seale, pe whiche shulde be in kepynge of ij Aldermen and ij Com[en]ers of the seid Cite. And that the seid seale shuld not be denyed to any comener of the seide Cite whan hit is resonablye asked. And nothinge be taken for the seid seale, &c.

Roger Duke, Maire { Water Wynchester Robert FizJohn } A^{\circ} xiij^{\circ}.

Andrew Bokerell, { Richard Watyr John Wouborne} } A. xiiij.

This yere was ordeyned that from that day forwarde shold never after Shoreff of London be in Office lenger then one yere.

^a Owing to an erroneous entry before the last paragraph which is crossed out, this and all the subsequent years of the reign have been dated a year in advance and afterwards corrected, as far as the 39th year, originally written "xl", in which the numeral letters are simply crossed out without further correction.

Audrewe Bokerell, Mair	Harry Edylmetory Gerrard Batte Symond Marye Roger Bontt Rauff Ashewy John Norman	\begin{cases} \Lambda^{\phi} \ \text{xvij}^{\phi}. \\ \Lambda^{\phi} \ \text{xviij}^{\phi}. \\ \Lambda^{\phi} \ \text{xviiij}. \end{cases}
This yere was a grete w	ynde and an erthequake	·
Andrewe Bokerell,	∫ Gerrard Batte	
Maire	l Robert Ardell	<i>f</i> 11. mm.
This yere the kynge s	spoused the eldest doug	ghter of the Pro-
vynce a at Caunterburye.		
Andrew Bokerell,	∫ Harry Cobham	Ao xx.
Mair	Userleyn Coventre	<i>f</i> 14 44.
William Juyn, Mair	∫ John Tolesan	$A^{\circ} xxj^{\circ}$.
vi illiani o dy ny man	U Gervys Cordwan),
Richard Date, Mair	∫ John Wilhale	$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} { m A}^{ m o} \ { m xxij}^{ m e}. \end{array} ight.$
	UJohn Saundres) "
This yere Edward the k		
Rauffe Grene, Maire	Reynold Bongey	A. xxiij ^e .
	(Rauff Ascheheme	, ,
Richard Renger,	John Gysors	A° xxiiij.
Mair	Myhell Truy)
0 1 1 1	John Wayle	$A^{\circ} \mathbf{x} \mathbf{x} \mathbf{v}^{\mathbf{e}}$.
Stephen de Bongey,	Thomas Durham)
Maire	John FizJohn	$A^{\circ} \times x \times y^{e}$.
D C L I	Rauff Aschewy	,
Rauff Ashewy,	Mugh Blunt	$\{A^{\circ} \text{ xxvij}^{\epsilon}.$
Mayre	(Adam Bassynge)
	ynce of Walys meved	
kvnge, and Gryffyn, Ney	vivns sonne, fell oute	of the Toure of

this yere Newlyn Prynce of Walys meved wer a gayne the kynge, and Gryffyn, Newlyns sonne, fell oute of the Toure of London and brake his neck.

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{Michell Tony, Meir} & \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \mbox{Raufle Spicer} \\ \mbox{Nicolas Batte} \end{array} \right\} & \mbox{A^o xxviij.} \end{array}$

^a So in MS. The word "the" before "Provyuce" is interlined in a later hand.

John Gysors, Mair	Robert Cornhill Adam Bentley	$\bigg\} \ A^o \ xxix.$
•	Symond Mary Lawrens Frowyke	A $^{\circ}$ xxx.
Roger FizRoger, Maire	{ John Wayle { Nicolas Batte	A. $xxxj^e$.
Michell Tony, Maire	Nicholas Joce Geffrey Wynchester	} A° xxxije.
in real forms, many	Raffe Ardell John Tolesan	$\left. \left. \left. \right\} \mathrm{A}^{\mathrm{o}} \mathrm{xxxiij^{e}}. \right. \right.$
John Nornya, Meir	{ Geffrey Basynge { William FizRichard	} A° xxxiiij.
This yere the Cite of Da	amaske was won with Cris	ten men.
Adam Basynge, Maire	Lawrens Frowyke William FizRichard	A. xxxv.
This yere be gan Frere	Austines fyrst in Engelone	de.
John Teson, Maire	William Durham Thomas Wyndborn	A° xxxvj ^e .
Nicholas Bamme, Maire	John Norhampton Richard Pykard	A o xxxvije.
Rauff Ardell, Maire	William Asshewey Robert Bylton	A. xxxviij.
This yere was Seint Pet	er of Melayne martered.	
	Stephen Oystergate Harry Walmote	$\left. ight\} ight. A^{\circ} \left[\mathbf{x} \mathbf{l} ight].^{\mathrm{a}}$
Rauff Ardell, Maire	Martyn Bokerell John Mynor	$\bigg\} \ \ A^\circ \ xlj^e.$
,	Richard Ewell William Asshewey	$\bigg\} \ \ A^o \ xlij^c.$
	Thomas FizRichard Robert Catlegre	} A° xliij°.
John Gesors, Maire	{ John Adryan { Thomas Cornhill	} A° xliiij°.

^a Crossed out.

This yere the kynge lete gader the scowtage, that is to sey of every knyghtes fee throw England xl s.

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William Riche, Meir	Adam Brownyng John Norhampton	$\left. \left. \right\} \right. \Lambda^{ m o}. { m xlv^{ m e}}.$
	Rychard Pykard Richard Coventre	$\left. \left. \right\} \right. \Lambda ^{o} \ { m xlvj}^{e}.$
Thomas FizThomas, Maire	Phelip Walbroke Richard Taylor	} A° xlvj.ª

This yere was the bataylle of Lewys, and stella comata apered xv wekys.

	Robert Momplers Osbern Bukessell Thomas Lampforde	$\Big\}$ $\Lambda^{_0}$ xlvij.
Thomas Fiz Thomas,	Thomas Lampforde	$\left. \left\{ ight. \Lambda^{_{0}} ight. ext{xlviij.} ight.$
Maire	Gregory Mukessell	,
	Gregory Mukessell Edward Blunt Peter Augre	$\left. ight\} \Lambda^{\circ} { m xlviij}.$
John Ryche, Costos	{ John Lynde { John Walme	$\left. \right\}$ Λ° l.
Almanus Godich, Costos	John Adryan Lucas Bradcourt	$\Big\}$ $\Lambda^{f o}$ lj.
	Water Hermy William Duranson	$\left. ight\}$ A° lij°.
Hugh Thomas, Mair	{ Thomas Basyng Robert Cornhill	} A° liij.

This yere the kynge did translate Seint Edward in to a precious shryne, and in the same yere was the erpe quake.

This yere the stepill of Bowehyrche fell downe and did myche Λ° Doⁱ Mⁱ.ij.c.iij.vix. harme.

This yere died that noble kynge, whose bones ben buryed at Westmestre.

Edwardus Primus,

Thes bethe the names of the meyres and shereffes in the regne of Kynge Edwarde the First.

William Hervy, Meir	{	John Horne Water Porter	}	Aº primo.
Harry Walleys, Meir	{	Nicolas Wynchester Harry Coventre	}	Aº ijº.
Gregory Rokysley, Meire			}	Aº iije.

This yere was a grete erthe quake.

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$\mathbf{j}^{\mathrm{e}}.$
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j ^e .

This yere the house of Frere Prechours was first founded at Castell Baynarde.

Gregory Rokysley,	Thomas Box Raffe More	A° viije.
Meire	William Farendon Nicolas Wynchester	$\begin{cases} A^{\mathfrak{o}} ix^{\mathfrak{e}}. \end{cases}$
Harry Walleys,	William Meyre Richard Chykwell	$A^{o} \mathbf{x}^{e}$.
Meire	Rauff Blunte Ankyrtyn Betle	$\label{eq:Acceptance} \left. \right\} \ A^o \ xj^e.$

This yere Newlyn Prince of Walis was take and beheded.

Harry Walleys,	∫ Jordane Godechepe	A° xij e .
Meire	∪ Martyn Box	f A Aij.

Roger Rokesley, Meire	Stephen Cornhill Robert Rikysle Watyr Blunt John Wade Thomas Gros William Antony	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \
Rauffe Southe, Meir	William Harfford Thomas Stanys William Betayne Thomas Caunterbury	$\left\{\begin{array}{ll} A^{\circ} \ xvj^{e}. \end{array}\right.$ $\left.\left\{\begin{array}{ll} A^{\circ} \ xvij^{e}. \end{array}\right.$
Cartsteyne, Meire	Fult Edmond Salmon Langfford Thomas Romayne William Lyre	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \

This yere the kynge ordeyned that all the Jewes that were dwellinge in this londe shulde be exiled for evir.

Rauffe Blunt, Maire	Rauffe Blunt Hamond Box Harry Belle Ellyse Russell	$\left.\begin{array}{l} A^{\rm o} \ {\rm xx^{\rm e}}.\\ \\ A^{\rm o} \ {\rm xxj^{\rm e}}. \end{array}\right.$
Sir John Kyrton,	Martyne Ambreshire Robert Rokysley Richard Glowestre Hary Box	$\left. \left. \right\} \ \Lambda^o \ \mathrm{xxij}. \right. \ \left. \left. \right\} \ \Lambda^o \ \mathrm{xxiij^e}. \ \left. \right\}$
Costos	John Donstable Adam Alyngbury Thomas Southe Adam Fulham	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \

This yere the kynge toke the towne and castell off Berwyke, and ther were slayne many Scottes.

Sir John Kyrton,	(William Stafford	1
Costos	ĺ	John Stafford	$\left. \right\} \ \Lambda^{ m o} \ { m xxvj^{ m e}}.$

This yere the kynge did a grete batayll in Scotlonde.

Harry Walles, Meire	{	Richarde Soperlane Thomas Cely	}	Aº xxvije.
Elys Russell, Meire	{	Harry Fyngreth John Anetres	}	A° xxviije.
		Lucas Averyng Richard Cambe	}	A° xxixe.
Syr John Blunt, Meire		Robert Taylor Petyr Basynge Hugh Proude	}	A° xxxe.
		Symond Parys	}	Ao xxxje.
Sir John Bluntt,	1	William Commate John Burfford	}	A° xxxije.
Meire		Roger Paryce John Lyncolne	}	A° xxxiije.

This yere the lordis of Scotland were sworne liege men to the kynge of Engelande.

Harry Wales	Reynold Underle William Cosyne	Aº xxxiiije.
	Symond Benett Geffrey Conditt	A o xxxv e .

This yere died the noble kynge, whos bonys ben buried at Westmester.

Thes bethe the names of the Meires and Shereffes of the Cite of London in the tyme of pe regne of Kynge Edwarde the Secunde.

Thomas Romayn, { William Furney Maire { Nelle Drury } A° primo.

This yere the kynge spowsed Isabell, the kynges doughter of Fraunce, and in the same tyme proffessied the holy chanone of Brydlyngton.

Thomas Romayne,
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \mbox{William Basynge} \\ \mbox{John Boteler} \end{array} \right\} \Lambda^{o} \mbox{ ij}^{o}.$$

Edwardus ij^{dus}.

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Nicolas Faryngdon, Meir	Roger Palmer John Edmond	$\left. \left. \right\} \right. \Lambda ^{o} \ { m iij^{c}}.$
Richard Bosham, Meire	Symond Cropp Petyr Blakeney	$\Big\} \ \Lambda^{ m o} \ { m iiij}^{ m e}.$
John Gysors, Meire	Symond Morwade Richard Wilfford	$\left. \left. \left. \right\} \right. \Lambda^{\circ} \left. \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{e}}. \right. \right.$

This yere was Edward the kynges sonne borne at Wyndsore on Seint Brieys daye.

Nicholas Faryngdon,	John Lambuy Richard Lutkyn	$\left. \left. \right\} \right. { m A}^{ m o} { m vj}^{ m e}.$
Meir	Adam Burton Hugh Gayton	$\left. iggl\} ight. A^{\circ} \ { m vij^e}.$

This yere the kynge went in to Scotlond with a riall power.

This yere the towne and the castell of Berwyk was lost throwe treson of Peris of Spaldynge [a whom the kyng had put there to kepe the towne with many burgesys of the same towne, where fore the chyldren that were put in hostage thorugh the burgesys of Berwyke folowde the kynges marchalse many dayes fetterd in strong yrens. And after that cam two cardynals in to Englonde to make peace be twene Englond and Scotlond. And as they went toward Durham to have consecrate one Master Lewys of Beamount Bysshop of Durham they were robbyd uppon the more of Wynglesdome, of whiche robrye Syr Gylbert of Mytton was atteynt, take, drawne, hangyd, hys hed smyt of, and quarterde. And the same tyme be fel many myscheves in Englond, for the pore people dyed for hungre, and so faste that unethe men myght bury them. For a

a This between brackets has been added by the Corrector at the top of the page, fo. 24b.

quarter of whete was then at xls., and two yere and di. whete was at x marke a quarter, in so moche that pore people stole chyrdern and ete them, and all so ete howndes, hors, and cattes.]

,	William Palmer Rauff Gawston	A $^{\circ}$ x $^{\mathrm{e}}$.
John Wyngrave	John Pryour William Furnex	A $^{\circ}$ xj e .
	John Pulteney John Dollynge	$\left. ight\} { m A}^{\circ} { m xij}^{ m e}.$

This yere the kynge helde his Parlement at Yorke, and Sir Hugh Spencer sone was made chefe Chamburlayne of Inglonde.

Hugh Chykwell, Symond Abyngdon John Preston A° xiij°.

This same yere was bothe Lord Spencer and his sonne exiled oute of Ingelond, and, sone after, the kynge commaunded ayene to the Lordis governaunce.

This yere were the fyrst nobles, *di*. nobles, and farthynges of gold made, for a fore this tyme there was no mony but sterlyng.

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Nicholas Faryngdon, Maire	(William Pordon	$\left. \left\{ ight. ight. A^{ m o} m xiiij^{ m e}. ight.$
Maire	(Reynold Condyt	A XIIIJ
	Rychard Costantyne	$A^{\circ} xv^{e}$.
Hamond Chykewell,	Richard Akeney	f A XV.
Mair	John Grantham Roger Ely) Aoie
	Roger Ely	A° xvj ^e .
Nicholas Faryngdon,	Adam Salysbury	A° xvije.
Nicholas Faryngdon, Maire	(John Oxynford	A" XVIJe.
Hamond Chykwell, Maire	∫ Benett Fullham	A viije.
Maire	₹ John Gawston	A XVIIJ.

This yere the Bysshoppe of Exceter,^a that tyme was ^a Tresorer of Inglonde, was be heded at the Standarde in Chepe.

Rechard Betey,
Meyre

{ Gilbert Mordon
John Cotton
}

A° xix.

a The original reading was "Oxenford," which has been corrected into "Exceter" by a later hand.

This yere the kynge was deposed and Edward his sonne made kynge.

The names of the Meire and Shereffes of London in be yere of Edwardus iijas.

the regne of Kynge Edwarde the iije.

Hamond Chikwell, { Richard Deryng Roger Chaunceler } A° primo.

This yere the kynge spoused the Erlis doughter off Henawde. And in the same yere the kynges fader was morthered at the castell of Berkele.

Hamond Chikwell,

Meire

Richard Deterynge
Harry Darey

Richard Deterynge
Roger Chaunceler

John Grantham,
Maire

Richard Deterynge
Roger Chaunceler

A° iij°.

A° iij°.

This yere was Roger Mortymer honged for holding of the Quene.

Andrew Aubry
This yere was Berwik yolden to oure kynge.

Nicholas Pyke John Howsbonde John Powntney, Maire William Haunsed John Haunseyd John Hyngeston Reynold Condit, Watyr Turke Maire Watir Mordon Rauff Upton John Powntney, Maire William Beklesworthe John Northhalle

Harry Dacy, Maire	Watyr Necll Nicholas Crane William of Pounfret Hugh of Markeber	A° xiij°. A° xiiij°.
Andrewe Awbrye	William Thorney Roger of Forsham	$A^{\circ} xv.$
This yere was the batar	elle of Slews in Flawndres.	
John of Oxynford, Maire	Adam Lucas Bertilmewe Denmarke Richard of Berwyk	A° xvje.
Maire	John Rokysle	A o xvije.
Symond Frawnces, Maire	{ John Lovekyn Richard of Kyllyngbur	y A° xviije.
In this yere was an ertl	ne quake.	
John Hamonde, Maire	∫ John Sewarde John of Haylham	A $^{\circ}$ xix e .
This yere began the kn	yghtys of the Garter a yene	.
John Hamonde,	Geffrey Wyngham	1
Maire	Thomas Legge	A o xxe.
This yere was the ky	inge of Scotlonde take ar	nd broste in to
Ingelonde.		
Richard Lacer, Maire	Edmond of Evynhall John of Glowcester	$\left. \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} {{ m{A}}^{ m{o}}}\ { m{xxj}}^{ m{e}}. \end{array} \right.$
		,
	yll of Cressy and the Seg	e of Caleys, be
gonne 1346.		
Geffrey Wychyng-		A° xxij ^e .
ham, Maire	(John Croydon)
	onne and yelde to Kynge E	dwarde.
Thomas the Gaye,	∫ Adam Brabanson	A axiij.
Meir	Richard of Basyngstoke)
This yere was the fyrst		
Harry Loffkyn,	Marry Pykard	$\left. \left. \right\}$ ${ m A}^{ m o}$ xxiiij $^{ m e}$.
Meire	l Symond Dolseley	, a ann,

je.
ij ^e .
iij°.ª
x°.
e.
j ^e .
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This yere the kynge of Fraunce was brought in to Ingelonde prisoner, the whiche Prince Edwarde toke in be felde at the Batayle of Peyters. And the Crow[n]e off Scotlond yelden to oure kynge.

Harry Pycard, Maire	Richard Notyngham Thomas Dolsle	A o xxxij e .
John Stoody, Maire	Stephanus Caundiche Bertilmewe Frestlynge	} A° xxxiije.
	John of Burys John of Banys	$\int \Lambda^{o} xxxiiij^{e}$.
Symonde Dolse, Maire	Symond of Bodyngton John of Chechester	$\bigg\} \ \Lambda^{\circ} \ xxxv^{e}.$
This yere was the threde	Pestelenee.	
John Wrothe, Maire	John Denys James Andrewe	$\bigg\} \ \Lambda^{\circ} \ xxxvj^{\circ}.$

^{*} The following note occurs in the margin opposite the 28th year: 'This yere were the fyrst g[ro]tes and di, grotes, that is to s[aye] iiij d. and ij d. of sylver made, [and] afore ther was no monye b[ut] the noble, the half noble, the [far]thyng of gold and sterlyng o[f] sylver."

John Peche, Maire	William Holbeche Jamys of Tame	} A° xxxvije.
This yere was a grete w Stephen Candysh, Meir	ynde on Seint Mawres dayo { John de Seint Albonis { James Andrewe	$\left. \left. \right\}$ A°xxxviije.
John Notte, Maire	Richard of Croydon John Hiltoft	Ao xxxixe.
Adam of Bury, Maire	Symond of Mordon John of Medfford	A° xle.
Adam of Bury, Mair to þ ^e xvij day of Janyuer		$\label{eq:Acceptance} \left. \begin{array}{l} A^{\rm o} \ \ {\rm xlj^e}. \end{array} \right.$
John Lovekyn, Maire	{ John Warde { Thomas Atlee	A° xlije.
James Andrewe, Maire	{ John Tornegold { William Dikeman	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A^{\circ} \ xliij^{\circ} \\ stella \\ comata. \end{array} \right.$
This yere was the for Marche apperid. ^a	arthe Pestilence, and in the	he monthe of
Symond Mordon	Adam Wymondham Robert Gurdeler	A° xliiije.
•	obert Knollis in to Fraunc	e with a grete
John Chechester, Maire	John Pyll Hugh Holbech	A° xlv°.
This yere was called that a quarter of whete at iiij	e grete dere yere, and that nobles.	same yere was

^a So in MS. Doubtless the words "stella comata" written above under the regnal year ought to have been inserted here.

John Bernys, Maire { William Walworthe Robert Gayton John Pyell, Maire { Vicholaus Brambyll

This yere was John Norword, mercer, slayne att the Blacke hethe at a wrestelynge.

Adam of Bury,

Maire

Maire

William Walwothe,

Maire

Maire

Maire

Maire

A° xlix°.

Richard Lyons

William Woodhows

A° l.

John Warde, Maire

John Hadley

William Newport

A° lj.

This yere was the wode Satyrdaye for the Duke of Lancaster at Sir Johnis Inne of Prys; the same yere was the v pestelence. This yere dyed Prince Edwarde, and lithe at Caunterburye.

Adam Staple, Maire { John Northehampton | Robert Launde | A lije.

This yere was Adam Stable deposid of his meyralte by John Duke of Lancaster on Palme Sondaye eve, that is to sey the xij day of Aprile. And in his stede was made Nicholas Bremble. And on the same day was John Mynsterworthe hangged and heded. And on Seint Albones even dyed Kynge Edwarde [the thirde], and is enterred at Westmester.

Thes bethe the names of the Maires and Shoreffes of the Cite of Ricardus ijdue. London in the tyme of the renge of Kyng Richard the ije.

 $\begin{array}{ccc} {\rm Nicholas\; Bremble,} & \left\{ \begin{array}{c} {\rm Andrewe\; Pykeman} \\ {\rm Nicholas\; Twyfford} \end{array} \right\} \, {\rm A}^{\circ} \ {\rm primo}. \end{array}$

This yere every man, woman, and childe after the age of xiiij yere payd to the kynge iiij d.

^b John Philpot, Mayre { Thomas Cornwales John Basham | A° ij°.

 $^{^{\}alpha}$ The words between brackets are inserted by the Corrector.

b The names and heading for this year are supplied by the Corrector at the foot of a page.

This yere was a bushell of whete at vj d. And a galon of white wyne at vj d. and a galon of rede wyne at iiij d.

 $egin{array}{lll} {
m John \; Hadle, \; Maire} & \left\{ egin{array}{ll} {
m John \; Aylsdon} & {
m A^o \; iij^c.} \end{array}
ight. \end{array}$

This yere was the Parlement at Northampton, and ther was Kyrkeby drawen and hanged for the dethe of Marshaunt Janyn. And in the same yere, be for the feste of Seint Michell, were the gallyes in Temmes brent at Gravysende; and for the same cause was Sir Rauffe Ferres appellyd. In the same was a bataylle at Westmester be twene Sir John Aunsell, knyght, appellaunt, and Thomas Katerton, defendaunt. And in this yere come a grete peple oute of Kentt and Essex to London and brent the Savey and a parcell of Seynt Johns and the maner of Heybury. And so entryd in to London and fette oute of the Toure the Erchebysshoppe of Caunterbury, the priour of Seint Jonys, and a Frere Robert Halys, and Frere William Appylton, and a Frere Menor, and John Legge, a sergeaunt of armes, and Richard Somner, were be hedid at Towre Hill. And Richard Lyons behedid at the Standard in Chepe. And on the morowe after was William Walworth, Nicholas Brembyll, John Philpott, and Robert Lawnde, made knyghtis in Smythfeld. And uppon Samfford Hill was the Erle Marchall, and the Erle Pembroke, and Syr Nicholas Twyfford and Sir Adam Fraunces, knyghtes, with in a shortt tyme. And this was called the Hurlynge tyme.

William Walworthe, { Watyr Begette Maire } A° iiij°.

This yere the kynge hade of every man and woman be twene lx and xvj yere xij d., for the whiche pe rysinge afore be ganne.

John Norhampton, { John Rote Maire { John Hende } } A^{\circ} v^{\circ}.

This yere, the vij day of Januer, on a Saterdaye, Quene Anne came to the Toure of London, and the Sonday followinge she was weddid to Kynge Richard the Secounde. And the xxiiij day of Maye was a grete Erthe quawe.

A post Dunstanum post tempore meridianum C circulum vixi terre motum tibi dixi."

John Norhampton, Adame Bamme
Mair John Cely

A o vje.

This yere the Bysshoppe of Norwyche went in to Flaundres and slewe many Flemynges. This yere was John Norhamton, John More, John Norbury, dampned in the Toure of London for certeyne congregaciouns that were made a yenes be pese.

This yere the kynge wentt in to Scotlonde with a riall power and distroyed all the londe to the Scottes see.

Nicholas Bremble, John Orgon
Maire John Churcheman A° ixe.

This yere went the Duke of Lancaster in to Spayne for to chalange the erowne.

 $\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Nicholas Exstone,} & \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{William Staunton} \\ \text{William More} \end{array} \right\} \ A^{\circ} \ x^{e}. \end{array}$

This yere was the Erle of Arondell mad Amell of the sec, and toke in that yere $lxxx^{xx}$ b shippis of enmyes and mo with xiiij m^l ton wyne.

Nicholas Exston, $\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{William Venor} \\ \text{Mayre} \end{array} \right\} A^{\circ} \text{ xj}^{\circ}.$

This yere was a grete dissencion amonge the lordis, that is to sey, the Duke of Glowcester, the Erle of Derby, the Erle of Arondell, the Erle off Warwyk, and the Erle of Notyngham, a gayne the Erle of Oxynford, and the Erle of Southfolke, and the Erchebysshope of Yorke, Sir Robert Tresylyan, and Sir Nicholas Bremble, the whiche Sir Robert and Sir Nicholas were drawen and hanged, and the Erle of Oxynforde and the Erle of Southefolke fled in to

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^a I confess the meaning of these lines is beyond me. - Editor.

b "lxxxxx." So in MS.

Braband, and ther died, and the Erchebysshuppe of Yorke fled in to Scotlonde and ther died, and all ther godes fell in to the kynges hande.

Nieholas Twyffor, Mair	{ Thomas Austyn Adam Carlhill	$\bigg\} \ \ A^o \ \ xij^e.$
William Venor,		$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} {{ m{A}}^{ m{o}}} \ { m{xiij}}^{ m{e}}. \end{array} \right.$
Maire	John Walcotte John Loveney	f A xilje.
This yere was a grete I	Pestylence.	
Adame Bamme,	Thomas Vyment John Fraunces) 40
Maire	(John Fraunces	$\left. ight\} { m A^o xiiij^e}.$
Islan Handa Maine	{ Harry Vanner { John Shodworth) 40
John Hende, Maire	UJohn Shodworth	$A^{o} \times v^{e}$.

This yere was the Mayre and bothe the Shoryves were putt downe of her offyee, and Syr Edwarde Delyngrege made wardeyn by the kynge. And after him Syr Bawdewyne Radynton in the xv yere of the kynge and Gebonde Mandfeld and Thomas Newnton chosyn Shoreffys, and London rawnsoned at a M marke.

William Staunton	{ Gylberd Mansfeld Thomas Neunton	$\Big\} { m A}^{ m o} { m xvj}^{ m e}.$
John Hadle, Maire	{ Drue Barentyn { Richard Wytington	$\Big\} { m A}^{ m o} { m xvij}^{ m e}.$

This yere on Witsondaye dyed Quene Anne and lithe at Westmester; and in the same yere the kynge wentte in to Irlonde and toke all the rebelles of that londe.

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John Fresshe, Meire { Thomas Knollys William Bramton } A^o xviij^e.

This yere came the kynge oute of Irlande.

William More, { Roger Elys William Heryngham } A^o xix^e.

Adame Bamme, { Thomas Welford William Perker } A^o xx^c.
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This yere Quene Isabell was wedded to Kynge Richard at Caleys. And also the same yere, the xxi day of June, was the Duke of Gloweester, the Erle of Arondell, the Erle of Warwyke, the

Lord Cobham, Sir Thomas of Arondell, the Erchebyshoppe of Caunterburye were a rested, and the Duke of Glowcester was sent to Caleys and ther mortherd, and the Erle of Arondell behedid at the Toure Hill on Seint Matheus Eve. And the Erle of Warwyke, the Erle of Arondell, the Lord Cobham, and Sir John Cheyne, were dampned to perpetuall prison.

Richard Wytington, William Ascame
Maire John Wodcok A° xxj°.

This yere the kynge made v Dukes and a Markes and iiij Erlys. Fyrst was the Erle of Derby was made Duke of Herforde, and the Erle of Rutlonde Duke of Arondell, and the Erle of Kent Duke of Surre, the Erle of Hontyngdon Duke of Excester, and the Erle Marchall Duke of Northefolke, the Erle of Somersed Markes of Dorsett, and the Lord Spencer Erle of Glowceter, the Lord Nevell Erle of Westmerland, Sir Thomas Perey Erle of Worseter, and Sir William Seroope Erle of Wilshire.

Drew Baryngtyn, John Wade A° xxije.

This yere dyed the Duke of Lancaster and is buryed at Seint Poules in London. Also the Friday after Seint Peter and Poule the Duke of Lancaster after his fader disses came in to Englonde, with him his sonne Thomas Arondell that was Erchebysshoppe of Caunterbury, and they londed in the northe contre at a place called Ravenspore, to whom came in haste the Erle of Northehomberlonde and his sonne Sir Harry Perey, and many other lordis with grete power, and thei went to Brystowe wher thei fonde Sir William Scrope, Tresourer of Engelonde, and Sir John Busshe, and Sir John Grene, and all were be heded. And in pe monthe of Septembre the kynge resseyved his dignite in the Toure of London.

Thes bethe the names of the Maires and Shoresses of the Cite off Henricus iiijtus. London in the regne of Kynge Henry the iiijth, the whiche was crowned at Westmestre in the daye of Translacioun of Scint Edwarde, the yere of our Lord Mijiclxxxxix.

^a The words following "Seint Edwarde" are added by the Corrector.

Thomas Knollys, William Walden A° primo.

This yere the vj day of Feverell were all the seales of blanke chartours brent at the Standarde in Chepe, and the xth day of Marche Kynge Richarde the Secunde a was brought from Pomfret Castel whereyn he decessyd to London in to Powles, and the nexte day after he was caryed to Langley to be buryed there yn a howee of freers. And in the same yere was the Erle of Kent, the Erle of Salisbery, be hedid at Susseter. And Sir Thomas Blunt, Sir Rauffe Lomney, Sir John Cely, and Thomas Venter, were be hedyd at Oxenford. And Sir John Holond and the Duke of Excester were be hedyd at Plaschey. And the Lord Spencer was be hedid at Bristowe.

This yere was the Batel at Halydon Hyl.d

John Shadworthe, William Venor
Maire John Frelyngham A° iije.

This yere the kynge spoused Dame Jane, Duches of Brettaynge. And the same yere apperyd stella comata v wekys in Leynte. Also the yere the Priour of Launde and Sir Roger Claryngton and viij Frerys Menoures were drawen and honged upon a day.

John Walkott,
Maire

Richard Marlowe
Robert Checheley

A° iiije.

This yere, on Mary Mawdelen day, was the Bataylle of Shrowysbury, and ther was Syr Harry Percy slayne and Syr Thomas Percy his eme take, and ij dayes after he was drawe and hanged, and the Erle of Stafford slayne under the kynges baner.

^a The words "the Secunde" and "from Pomfret—decessyd" are inserted by the Corrector in the margin."

b "there—freers." These words are inserted by the Corrector.

^e Circneester. d This sentence is inserted by the Corrector in the margin.

^{° &}quot;on Mary Mawdelen day." These words are inserted by the Corrector.

William Askam, Thomas Faukener Thomas Polle Λ° V°.

This yere was William Serle, that mordered the Duke of Glowcester at Calleys, drawen, hanged, quarterde, and beheded a at London.

 $\begin{array}{lll} \mbox{John Hende, Maire} & \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \mbox{William Lowthe} \\ \mbox{Stephyn Spilman} \end{array} \right\} \ \Lambda^o \ \mbox{vj}^e. \end{array}$

This yere on the Monday in Witsonweke Syr Roger Scrope, Erchebysshoppe of Yorke, and the Erle Marchall, were behedid at Yorke. The same yere was a grete frost that endured xv wekes and m[o].^b

This yere the Erle of Kent spoused the Duches doughter of Myllayne.

William Stawnton, { Harry Poumfrett Mair Harry Halton } A° ix°.

This yere the Erle of Nothehomberlonde and the Lorde Bardollff was be hedid. Also the same yere was a stronge frost that duryd xv wekys, and the Erle of Kent was slayne in Brettayne.

Dreugh Barentyn,
Mair

Richard Marlowe,
Meire

Thomas Duke
William Norton

Ao xc.

Ao xc.

Ao xjc.

Thomas Knolles,
Maire

Thomas Pyke

Ao xjc.

This yere came Enbassatours from the Duke of Burgoyne to have men a gayne the Duke of Orlyance. And the Prince sent over the Erle of Arondell and the Lord Cobham with other dyverse lordes.

a "and beheded." Added by the Corrector.

b This sentence beginning "The same yere" is added by the Corrector.

Robert Chechiley, William Reynwell John Cotton A° xiije.

This yere Thomas the kynges sonne was made Duke of Clarence, and he wente over the see with a faire mayne in help ynge of the Duke of Orlyaunce a gayne the Duke of Borgoyne. Also the same yere the kynge lete smyte a newe mynte the noble lesse wight than the olde noble by halfe apeny wight of gold.

This yere in one day were iij floddys yn the Temmys water.a

William Waldren, { Rauffe Lovenam William Sevenoke } Ao xiiij°.

And in this yere dyed the kynge, and lithe enterred at Caunterbury.

The names of the Maires and Shoreffes of London the whiche were in the tyme of the regne off Kynge Henre the v^{the}, the whiche was crowned at Westmestre the ixth day of Aprel, the whiche than was Passyon Sonday and a grete raynye daye.^b This yere the kynge lete fetche frome Langley the bonys of Kyng Richard the ij^{tle c} to Westmestre in to the tombe that he did make him selffe for hym and his Quene Anne. And the same yere Sir John Oldeaste was a rested in to the Towre, and after brake oute of prison.

Wylliam d Crowmer, { John Sutton Mair } Ao primo.

This yere Sir John Oldecastell with many oper lordes and heritikes had emagened the distruccion of the kynge and of Holy Chirche, but the kynge with stode hem and toke many of them, which were drawe and hanged and brentt, galowes and all, to the nombre of xlij^{ti} persones, but Sir John Oldeastell scapyd.

- ^a This sentence is added in the margin by the Corrector.
- ^b The words following "Westmestre" in this sentence are added by the Corrector and carried out into the margin.
 - c "the ijde" is interlined by the Corrector.
- ^d The name was "John" in the text, but it is crossed through and "Wylliam" is written over. The Corrector has added the following note in the margin, relative to the year of his mayoralty: "Primo, quia bis fuit maior civitatis."

Henricus Quintus.

Thomas Fawkener, John Michell Λ° ij $^{\circ}$. UThomas Aleyn Mair

This yere was brent in Smythfeld John Claydon, Skynner, and Richarde Gutmyn, Baker, for herytekys. Also the same yere the kynge toke his jorney toward Normandy, and at Southchampton the Erle of Cambryge and the Lorde Scrope and Sir Thomas Graye were be heded for conspirynge of the kynges dethe. And pan the kynge passed the see with iiijc, shippes. And the xvj day of August he landed a litell from Hareflete and leide a sege to the towne, and conteneued to the xx day of Septembre, and than was the towne yolde to oure kynge. And than the kynge wente towarde Caleys, and on Crispine Crispianis day at Agyncortte all the rialte of France come be for the kynge to lett him of his The Batel of Agynwey. And the kynge faughte with hem and discomfid them and corte in Pycardy on the day of Cryspini slewe many lordis and other peple, and toke many prisoners, Dukes, and Crispynian beyng Erlis, and othir lordes. And on the xxiiij day of Novembre the kynge with his prisoneres came to London.

Nicholas Wotton, Maire

 $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Aleyn Everarde} \\ \text{William Cambryge} \end{array} \right\} \, \mathbf{A}^{\circ} \, \text{iij}^{\text{c}}.$

This yere the Empour of Almayne came in to Engelond and [E]mperowre of was at Scint Georges fest. And at the procession the kynge went Allmen. a bove him, and at the masse the kynge sate a bove him, and at the mete the kynge sate on the right honde of the emperoure. And the Duke of Bedforde, Chaunsler of Englonde, sate on the lifte side of the Emperour, and the Beshuppe of Dyvelyn and dukys that came with the Emperour sate on the right honde of the Kynge. And the first sotilte that came on the table was our Lady armyng Seint George and an angill doinge on his sporys. The secounde sotilte was Seint George fightynge with the dragon, and the spere in his honde. The therde sotilte was a castell, and Seint George and the kynges doughter ledyng the lambe in to the castell gate. Also this yere Duke William of Holond came in to Engelonde.

Harry Barton,
Mayre

{ Robert Wityngton
John Coventre } A^{\circ} iiijth.

This yere the kynge sailed in to Normandy and londed the first day of August be syde Towcke and toke the towne and eastell sone after; on our Ladye day the Nativite the kynge wan the towne of Cane, and sone after the castell. Also the Duke of Clarence beseged the towne of Bayue and wan hit. And the same yere the kynge wan many other townes and castelles and stronge abbeyes longe be for the fest of Seint Edward in Octobre.

 $egin{array}{ll} ext{Richard Merlowe,} & \left\{ egin{array}{ll} ext{Harry Rede} \\ ext{John Gedney} \end{array}
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ight. A^{\circ} \, \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{e}}. \end{array}$

This yere the generall counsell was endyde atte Custaunce, and an unyversale pece made in Holy Chirche and a Pope chosyn, whiche was called Martinus quintus. Also Sir John Oldcastell was take and dampned at Westmestre, drawen and brentt, galows and all. Also the same yere the kynge besegide the towne and castell of Falloyes and gate hem bothe; also the towne and castell of Shirebrough yelden to the Duke of Glowcester. And after the kynge gatte Pountelarge and many other streynthes. And a boute Lammas the kynge layde sege to Rone.

William Sevenoke, $\{ \text{ John Pernesse } \}$ Ao vj^c .

This yere on Seint Wolstones day the towne and castell of Rone was yolde to oure kynge.

Richard Wityngton, { John Boteler | Robert Wytyngham } A° vije.

This yere the kynge came to Troyes in Champayne where he was worthely resseyved of all the lordys spirituall and temporall. And on the morowe the kynge mett withe the Quene of Fraunce and Dame Kateryne hir doughter and the Duke of Boyrgoyne in the body of Seint Petris churche; and after they went up to the auter and there the articles of the pees were redde and othes made on eyther syde. And then was the kynge and Dame Kateryne ensured togeder. And on the morowe after Trinite Sondaye, that

is to sey the iii day of June, he spoused Dame Kateryne in the seide chirche of Scint Peter in Troyes, and the kynge was made Regent and Eyre of Fraunce.

William Cambryge, John Wellis
Maire John Botler A° viije.

This yere the ix day of Feverell the kynge and the Quene The Coronacyon of Kateryne came to London, and the xxj daye of the same mofnithe Quene Kateryne. she was erowned at Westmester, and the fest was holden in the grete hall.

Off the Feste of be Cronacioun of Quene Kateryne and of Service. Fyrst, the quene sate in hir astate, and the Erchebysshoppe of Caunterbury and the Bysshoppe of Wynchester satte upon the righ[t] honde of the quene, and the Kynge of Scottis sate in his estate upon be lyfte hand of the quene. And the Duches of York and the Countes of Huntyngdon sate upon the same side. And att every course nexte the quene the Bysshoppis were servid, covered as the quene, and than the Kynge of Scottis and other lordis. And the Duke of Glowcester was Surveour, and the Erle Marchall knelyd in the right side of the quene holdyng in his honde upryght a septure, and the Knyght Marchall holdyng a noper septure on the lifte syde of the quene. And the Countesse of Kente sittinge on the right fote of the quene. And the Countesse Marchall sytting on the lifte fote of the quene.

Also this same yere sone after Wytsonday the kynge sayled in to Fraunce and laide a sege to the Cite of Mewes Embrye and contenewed forthe. This yere was a new wedercok set u[p] on Powles stepyl.b

Robert Checheley, Kichard Goslynge William Weston A° ix°.

This same yere on Seint Nicholas day Henry the kynges sonne Henricus vitus natus was borne at Wyndsore, and in the monthe of Maye the Cite of vz. [vj.] die Decembris, hoe est die Sancti Nicholai episcopi, A^o a Meaux en Brie. Domini Miniij°xxj".

b The last sentence is added by the Corrector in the margin.

Henricus quintus nltimo Augusti diem Et sic vixit post nativitatem filij sui Henr[ici] vjti xxxta et octo septimanas [et] fere duos dies.

Mewes in Brye was yolden to the kynge. Also the same monthe the quene shipped at Hampton, and so passed the see in to Fraunce. Also in this yere the last daye of August dyed Kynge Harry the cla[u]site[xtre]mum. vth at Boys Vynsent with oute Parys, whos bonys the viijth day of November at Westmester were enterred.

> The names of the maires and shoreffes of the Cite of London in the tyme of the regne of Kyng Henry the vjth.

William Waldren,
Mair

William Estffeld
Robert Tetersalle Aº primo.

This yere the xxj day of Octobre (betwene vij and viij of the clok a fore none in the Cite of Parys a) dyed Kynge Charles of Fraunce. Also the first day of Marche William Tayler was brent in Smythfeld for eresy. Also the secounde day of March Powntmelayne was yolden to the gode Erle of Salysbury. Also John Duke of Bedford, the kynges uncle, Regent of Fraunce, spoused the Dukys sister off Burgoyne.

William Crowmer,
Maire

Nicholas Jamys
Thomas Wandisfford A o ije.

This yere the xxj day of Octobre was the Parlement holden at Westmester. And the xxvj day of Novembre the kynge was brought in to the Parlement. And the same daye the kynge remevid to Waltham, and the Parlement was engorned in to the xx day after Cristmas. This yere the xiiijth day of Feveryere dyvers bylles were cast in London and in the subbarbys of the same a yeast merchantes strawngers.^b Also the xiiij day of Feverell Sir John Mortymer was dampned be Parlement, hanged, drawe, and quarterd for brekynge of prison.

John Michell, Maire Symond Seman John Bewatyr A° iije.

^a This parenthesis is inserted by the Corrector.

b This sentence is inserted by the Corrector in the upper margin of the MS.

This yere in the monthe of Octobre the Duke of Glowceter and his Duches sayled to Caleys and so forthe in to Henaude wher was his wiffes critage, where he was at the fyrst worsshupfully resseyved, but after they sett nott by him, and so came home and lefte his lady at Moynys in Henaude. And then the Duke of Burgoyne beseged hir and wanne the towne and brought hir to Gawnte in Flaundres, but she scaped from thens and came in to Holonde, and there longe tyme helde wer a yenes the Duke and put him dyverse tymes at the worste.

This yere on Witsonday the kynge was made knyght at Leyseter of my Lorde of Bedford, and the kynge made xxxiiij^{ti} other knyghtis. Also the same yere was a grete dissencioun be twene the Duke of Glowcester and the Bysshoppe of Wynechester that tyme Chauneyler, for the whiche all London a rose with the Duke a yenest the forsaide Bysshoppe.

This yere be for Shroftide the Bysshoppe of Wynchester saylled over to Caleys, and sone after the Duke of Bedford and his Duches. And upon our Lady day the Annonciacion the Bysshoppe of Wynchestre was made eardenall in Seint Mary chirche of Caleys, beyng ther present the Duke of Bedford and his Duches. And be for the masse be gan, the whiche the Bysshoppe shuld doo, the popis cosynne brought in the eardenalles hatte, and with grete reverence sett it upon the auter, and ther hit stode all the masse tyme. And whan the bysshoppe had songe and was un revessed, ther was done on him an habite in maner of a freres cope off fyne searled furred with puryd graye. And than he knelid downe upon his kneys befor the auter, while the Popis bullys were red to him. And the first byll was his charge, and the secounde byll was that

the pope confermed that he shulde have still all the benefies that he hathe in Englonde. And whan this was done the Duke of Bedforde went up to the auter and toke the cardenales hatt and sett it on the bysshoppys hede and abeyed to hym, and afterwarde toke him all wey above him. This yere Wylliam Wa[we] was drawen, hanged, [and] quarterde.^a

This yere the Duches of Holond, whiche longe tyme was besegid and vexid by the Duke of Burgoyne, understondynge that no remedy nor helpe was ordeyned for hir in Ingelonde, and also cosiderynge that the Duke of Glowcester hadde for sake hir and spowsed a noper woman, by gode and wyse consayll submytt to be governed afterward by the Duke of Borgoyne. Also the same yere the Cardenale came to London upon Scint Gylis daye, and the Meir Shoreffes and the craftis of London rode a gaynes him in a gode a raye.

Harry Marton,
Maire

| John Abbott | Ao vije.

This yere sone upon Midsomer the Cardenall saylled over the see with a fayre mayne waged to werre upon the lordis of Prage. But a lite a for the departynge of the Cardenall oute of Englonde the Erle of Southefolke, the Lord Talbott, the Lorde Scalys, and many oper lordys, knyghtis, and squiers were taken, and many slayne at the sege of Orlyaunce, and the sege broken.

William Estffeld,
Maire

Rauff Holond
John Russe

A° viije.

This yere on Seint Lenardes b daye in Dessembre the kynge was crowned at Westmestre (the dominical letter B c).

a This sentence is added by the Corrector.

^b Corrected from "Lauernee." The Corrector ought also to have noticed that "Dessembre" should have been November.

[°] The parenthesis added by the Corrector.

A SHORT ENGLISH CHRONICLE.

Nicholas Wotton, Maire	Water Churchesey Robert Large	$\Big\} \ \ \Lambda^{ m o} \ { m ix}^{ m c}.$
John Wellis	Stephen Browne John Aderley	$\left. ight\} \Lambda^o {f x}^c.$

This yere the kyng went in to Fraunce and the xiij day of Decembre was he was crowned in Parys.^a

This yere the kynge came oute of Fraunce in to Ingelonde in savete to the Cite of London. And the Maire, Aldurmen and Shoryvis with all the comenalte of the Cite him resseyved right worthely.

John Perneys, Mair { John Padysley | John Olney } A^{\circ} xj^{\circ}.

This yere was a gre clepes on Seint Botholles daye.

John Brokley, Maire { Thomas Chalton | John Lynge | A^{\circ} xij^{\circ}.

Robert Otley, Maire { Thomas Barnwell | Symond Eyre } A^{\circ} xiij^{\circ}.

This yere was a grete froste, the whiche dured from Seint Katerynes daye to Seint Volantynes daye. And the vintage of wyne came ovir Sheters Hill in eartys from Gravisende.

Harry Frowick,
Maire

Robert Clopton
Thomas Catworthe

A o xiiije.

This yere hit was oppenly knowen that the Duke of Burgoyne was forsworne unto the Crowne off Engelonde, for in this yere he laide sege unto Caleys, and he lete make a grete bastyle, the whiche bastile oure men of Calleys wanne, and toke ther in many prisoners, and slowe all the remnante, and forthe with brent it. And that tyme the Duke of Glowcester, the Duke of Northfolke, the Erle of Huntyngdon, pe Erle of Stafford, the Erle of Warwyek, and many oper erles, baronez, knyghtes, and sqwyers, were poynted to goo to Calleys to breke the sege. But the peple of Calleys had broke the sege or they were redy, and pat tyme every lord founde a cer

^{*} This sentence is added in the margin by the Corrector, who has also interlined under the names of the mayors and sheriffs, "The kyng was crowned in Parise."

teyn meyne on her owne coste, and every bysshoppe, abbay, howsell of religiouns, and every gode towne fonde a certayne of men. And London sent a for that vc sowdyors for to kepe Calys. And yet London yave to the werrys MI li. And so my Lord of Glowseter toke his shippe with many other lordes at Wynchelsey, and so sayled to Calleys with all his oste, and his shippis waitinge on the see coste off Flawndres upon our Oste. And so the Duke of Glowseter toke his jorney taward Flaundres the Monday after Seint Lauerence daye, in the yere of our Lorde M.CCCC.xxxvij^{the}, and lay that nyght at Sparkys place be syde Oye; upon the morne he passed the water of Gravenynge at x of the clokke, with l.ml men And ther he made dyverse knyghtis. And so passyd nombryd. forthe to Mardyke and brent hit and Poperynge and Bell, and so distroyed all West Flawndres. And our shippis brentt a gode Ile whiche is called Cagent, and sone after the Duke with all his oste retorned to Caleys, and so came a yene in to England.

This yere fell downe the Towre of London Brygge with ij arches. And the same yere dyed Quene a Kateryne, be whiche is buryed at Westmester.

William Estfeld, Mair	{ William Halys { William Chapman	} A° xvje.
Stephen Browne, Maire	Hugh Dyke Nicholas Yoo	A° xvije.

This yere the Duke of Orlyaunce went over the see to Caleys with a certayne lordys, and so was delyverd by composicioun made; and in that yere the Erle of Hontyngdon was sent in to Gascoyne. And in that yere whete was worthe throwe the londe xvjd. a busshell. And in that yere was ordeyned that all the comyn strompetes sholde were raye hodis and white roddis in her hondes.

a Above these words is written by the Corrector: "uxor Henrici quinti."

Robert Marchall Robert Large, A° xviij°. Phelyppe Malpas Maire

This were the water coundyt was in Flete strete fyrst made.^a

This yere hit was ordeyned by Parlement that all maner strangers shulde go to Oste. In that yere were two men honged in Temmes by yonde Seynt Katerynes, for they had rubbed vitalers in Temmes. And in this yere was Sir Robert White, some tyme vicorye of Depfford, and anobere seculer man, dampned for heresye, and brent at Toure Hill in a mornyng at vij of the cloke.

William Whetnalle
John Sutton John Padysle, $\left\{ A^{\circ} \operatorname{xix}^{\operatorname{e}} \right\}$ Maire

This yere the Duke of Yorke was made Regent of Fraunce and Normandy for v yere, and went overe be see with a ryall power. And in that yere was a chalange made of a knyght of Spayne and Sir Richarde Wodfelde, knyght, whiche was done in Smythfeld a for the kynge and the lordys. And the kynge toke it in his honde with in iiij strokes, and so was ended. And in that yere Dame Elynore Cobham, Duches of Glowseter, and a clerke of hires Elynor Cobham, that was called Maiste Roger Bultyngbroke, throwe nigrymancye, [cester], b and a wyche of the Eye, by wycherafte, had conspired the kynges dethe. All thre were a rested and put in holde.

William Combys
Richard Riche Robert Clopton, $\left\{\begin{array}{c} A^{\circ} xx.^{e} \end{array}\right.$ Mair

This yere Dame Elynor Cobham a for wreten was made to go throwe London, openly beryng a taper in hir hande by pennaunce enjoyned by the Chirche and the Kynge, and after hir body to perpetuall prison. And the elerke was dampned to be hanged, drawe, and quartered, and be wiche was brent in Smythfelde for the treson afor wretyn. And this yere was a chalange previd with in lystis in Smythfelde a for the kynge of a knyght of Aragon and John Assheley, squyer, the whiche Assheley had the felde, and of

a This sentence is inserted by the Corrector.

b To this note is added in a hand considerably later: "and the wytche of Eye."

the kynges honde was made knyght in the felde for his wele doynge. And the lorde of Aragon after that offerd up his harneys at Wyndsore.

John Athirle, Mayre { Thomas Bemond Richard Northern } Ao xxje.

This yere the Duke of Somersed went in to Fraunce with $x \, m^1$ men, and that yere came the Cardenalle Erchebyshope of Rone, Chaunseler of Normandy and Bysshoppe of Hely, in to England, and here dyed, &c.

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{Thomas Catworthe,} & \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{Nicholas Wyffolde} \\ \text{John Norman} \end{array} \right\} \text{ A° $xxij^{e}$.} \end{array}$

This yere came the Duke of Somersed oute of Fraunce, pe whiche had lost myche of his peple. And that yere the Erle of Southefolk, and the Prevey Sealle, and Sir Robert Roose, the kynges secretory, went on enbassetory in to Fraunce to trete for pees, and to make a maryage for the Kynge with the Dukys doughter of Angios, whiche pees was made for xviij monthes, and seuerte hadde of the maide for maryage a for recorde of all the riales of Fraunce in presens of oure enbassetours. And so they came a yene in to Engelond, presentyng the kynge this tythinges, for the whiche was made bothe in Inglonde and Fraunce grete solemnyte. And in that yere died the Duke of Somersett. And in that yere was ordeyned that no markett sholde be holde on the Sonday. And this yere the Erle of Stafford was made Duke of Bokynham, pe Erle of Dorsett was made Markes of Dorsett, the Erle of Southefolke Markes of Southefolke, the Erle of Warwyke made Duke of Warwyke.

Harry Frowyk, Stephen Foster Hugh Wiche Ao xxiije.

This yere Quene Margeret came in to Englond with grete rialte of the kynges coste. And the xxix daye of Maye all the craftes of London with the Meire and Aldermen met with the quene on hors backe in blewe gownes browdered and rede hodis, and brought hir to the Towre of London; and on the same day was made xlvij

Queue Margaret, the Duke of Angyos dowghter, can fyrst into Englonde, Ű D'ni 1444.

^a Adam Moleyns, afterwards Bishop of Chichester.

knyghtis of the Bathe. And on the morowe all the eraftes of London in her best a ray brought hir to Westmester, and all the forsaide knyghtes a for ridynge. And the xxx day of May (the whiche was than the Sonday next after Trinite Sonday a) she was Coronacio Regine crowned at Westmestre. And iij dayes after open justynge to all Margarete uxoris lenrici Sexti. tho that wolde come. And in this yere the priour of Kylmayne of Irlande apeled the Erle of Ormand. And in this yere came serteyne enbassetours oute of Fraunce to trete for pees to be hadde generall whiche duryd not but xij monthis after the xviij monthis a for wretyn. And in this yere was the translacion of Seynt The Translacion of Edward made holy throwe London; and Poules stepyll sett on fire Seyn[1] Edwarde made halyd[ay]. with lyghtnynge.

Symond Eyre,
Maire

John Derby
Geffray Feldyng

Robert Horne
Geffrey Boleyn

A° xxiij°.

This yere was the Parlement at Bury for the Duke of Glowcester The Parlament at with grete treison wrought a yenes him comyng thedir, and was Saynt Edmundes Bury, and Humfrey loged in the Ospitale, for whom was raysed lx M1 men. And as he Dewke of Glowceter sate at soper, lordis of dyverse degreis came to him in the kynges and regent of England name dischargeynge him of the kynges presense, and of all other Domini 1116, viz. 2110 maner of answeres. And so they a restid him of hie treyson. bat he mekely obeyed, and all his men were avoyded from him full hevely. And sone after he dissesyd, the sykenes howe God knowith. And xxxii of his men were sentt to dyverse persones, and afterward v of his men were brost to London. And ther thei were dampned to be drawe, hanged, and quarterd; and so they were drawe to Tiborn. And thes bethe ther names: Arteys the Dukys bastard sonne, and Herberd squyer, Medilton squyer, and Sir Roger Chamburlayne knyght, and Nedame yoman. And ther thei were hanged and lette downe quycke; and ther was the Markes of Southefolke, and shewed a chartour generall for hem all; and so they were pardoned and had lyfe and godes.

^a The parenthesis is inserted by the Corrector in the margin below. K

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And die Januarij.

This yere the xxij day of Marche the water brake in oute of Temmes be syde Lymeoste, and in a noper place in Temmes, and dide myche harme. And in the same yere was an herytik brent at the Toure Hill.

This yere the kynge helde his Parlement at Westmester. And that same yere was all Normandy loste. And also in the terme of Cristmas while the Parlement was at Westmester the Duke of Southefolke was a rested and sent to the Toure of London. And with in a moneth after the kynge sent after the duke frome the Toure to the towre at Westmestre, and a yenes Ester the Parlement was enjorned to Leyseter, and the kynge toke with him the Duke of Southefolke. And whan the kynge and the comenys were come to Leyseter the comenys saide that they wolde have excusyon don upon the traytors that hadde solde Normandy, Gyan, and Gascoyne, and were causes of the dethe of the Duke of Glowcester, for the whiche the Duke of Suthefolke was named chefe, and the Lord Saye and Danyell squyer, and many other. And so the comenys cryed so sore on the Duke of Southefolke that at the laste the kynge did exile hym oute of the londe. And so the duke shepped and was forwarde in the see, and ther mett with him a shippe calles a Nicholas of the Toure, and toke the duke and smote of his hede in the see the first day of Maye. And so he was brought to Dovyr a londe, and forthe with the Parlement was ended. And than the comynes of Kent a rose and hade chosen hem a capteyne the whiche namyd hym sylfe John Mortymer, whose very trew name was John Cade, and he was an Iresheman; b and so he come to the Black

John Cade.

a So in MS.

h "whose-Iresheman." This clause is inserted by the Corrector.

hethe withe the comynes of Kentt. And the kynge with all his lordis made hem redy with all her power for to with stonde him. And the capteyn hiryng that the kynge was comynge, and so the nyght a fore the capteyne with drowe him and his peple; and so the xviij day of June the kynge toke his wey taward the Blacke Hethe. And Sir Umfrey Stafford, knyght, and John Stafford, squyer, with her peple went in the fowarde, and they were slayne and myche of her peple. And the kynge came to the Blacke Hethe with his lordys. They hirynge of pis jorney a none the lordis meyne went togeder and said, but the kynge wolde do excussyon on suche traytors as were named else they wolde turne to the capteyn of Kent. And than the kynge grawnte hem that they shuld have ther entent, and bade hem name suche persones as were feetyffe, and they shulde have as lawe wolde. And than the lordis men saide that the Lorde Saye was one, the Bysshuppe of Salysbury, the Baron of Dudley, the Abbott of Glowcester, and Danyell, and many moo. And the Lord Saye was a rested in the kynges presence, and sent to the Toure of London; and so the kynge went to Grenewiche, and so to London by water, and ther was ij or iij dayes, and than made him redy to remeve to Kyllyngworthe. And the Meire of London with the comynes of the cite came to the kynge besekynge him that he wolde targe in the cite and they wolde lyve and dye with him, and pay for his costes of housholde an halff yere; but he wold nott, but toke his jorney to Kyllingworthe. And whan the kynge was gone the capteyn with the comynes of Kent came a yene to the Black hethe. And the iijthe day of Juyll he came to London; and as sone as thei entred in London they rubbed Phelippe Malpas. And the iiij day of Jule he behedid Crowmer and a noper man at Myle Ende; and the same day at after none the Lorde Say was fett oute of the Toure to the Yelde Hall to for the meire to have jugement, and whan he came befor the meir he saide he wolde be juged by his perys. then the comenes of Kent toke him from the officers and ledd him to the Standart in Chepe and there smote of his hede. And than the captevn did do drawe him thorowe London, and over London brige.

The batel on London Bryge by twene men of London and Kentyssh men, Jak Cade beyng capten of Kent.

and to Seint Thomas Watring, and ther he was hanged and quartered, and his hede and Crowmers hede and a noper manes hede were sett on London brige. And after that he smote of ij oper menes hedis in Sowthewerke. And the vth day of Jule at nyght (and beyng Sondaye a) the comynes of London sett upon the comynes of Kent, for they began to rubbe. And all the men of Kent that were in London that nyght they went to her capteyne in to Sowthewerke. And the same nyght the Meir and Shoreffes and my Lorde Scalys and Mathew Gowghe and the comynes of London went to London Brygge, and ther they faughte from ix of the cloke at eve till ix on the morowe, and at the laste the capteyne fired the drawe brigge. And forthe withe went the Chaunseler b to be capteyne and sessed him and yave him a chartur and his men a noper, and so with drowe hem homward. Than the xij daye of Juyll was in every shire proclamed that whate man that couthe take the forsaide capteyne shulde have a M1 marke and brynge him to the kynge quycke or dede, and as for any man that longed to him, x marke; for hit was openly knowe that his name was nott Mortymer, his name was John Cade, and perfor his chartor stode in no streynthe. And so one Alexandre Iden, a squyre of Kent, toke hym in a garden yn Sowthsex the xiij day of Jule; c and in the takynge of him he was hurtt and died that same nyght, and on the morowe he was brought in to the Kynges Bynche, and after was drawe throwe London and his hede set on London brige.

John Cade taken yn Kent, and so hurt yn his takyng that he dyed the same nyght.

Nicholas Wyffold, William Dere A° xxixe.

This yere the kynge went in to Kent to Caunterbury and sate and did grete justice upon the that rose with the capteyne, and ther dyed viij men upon a daye. And in oper places in Kent the kynge did grete justice; and so be kynge wentt in to Southsex, and so

b Cardinal Kemp,

^a This parenthesis is added in the margin by the Corrector.

^e This passage has been altered by the Corrector. The sentence originally stood: "And so the xiij day of Jule John Cade was take in Kentt."

westwarde to Salisbery, and ther as the Bysshoppe of Salysbery a was slayne. And the same yere stode at ones xiij hedis on London brige. And this yere was Burdeux lost.

Burdens lost.

Mathew Phelipp Krystofer Water William Gregory, $\left\{ A^{\circ} \times \times X^{\circ} \right\}$

This yere Richard Duke of Yorke came oute of Walys by Kyngeston brygge unto the Blacke Hethe with a grete power to clere him selfe a gaynes Kynge Henrey of all maner poyntes that the kynge was his hevy lorde fore. And the kynge came ridinge thorowe London with a riall power agayn the sayde duke. ther the lordis bothe spirituall and temporall toke the mater in honde and entretid hem of rest and pees; the whiche the seid duke at the last agred to on this condission, that his peticiouns for the wele of the kynge and the realme myght be hadde and his enemyes to the Toure to a bide the lawe; and so were the lordis a greed and sworne cuche to other. A none the duke sent home his men ayen, and him selfe mekely obeyed the kynge at the Black Hethe, and his adversaryes stode present contrary the poyntment And so they brought him thorowe London ungirde by twene two bysshopis to his owne place, and after that made him sworne on the sacrement at Powles after ther entente, and putte him from his gode peticiouns.

Geffrey Feldynge, Schard Lee Richard Alley $A^{\circ} xxxj^{e}$.

This yere was the quene delyverde of a sonne, the whiche was The byrthe of Prince called Edwarde, that tyme called Prince.

Edwarde, the sonne of Kyng Henrye the

John Walden
Thomas Cooke John Norman, Λ° xxxij $^{\circ}$

This yere the ridynge of the Mayres to Westmester was for done, and John Norman, Draper, was the first maire that went to Westmester by barge.

a William Ayscough, who was murdered in the preceding year.

Stephen Foster, Maire

John Felde William Taylor

A xxxiije.

The fyrst Batel at Seint Albons.

This yere the Lord Egrymond was take by Sir John Nevell, my Lorde of Salysburys sone. And in the same yere (the xxth day of May, beyng Thyrsday a) was the fyrst b batayll at Seint Albonys; and ther was slayne the Duke of Somersett, the Erle of Northehomberlonde, the Lord Clyfforde, with oper mo under the kynges baner. And the Duke of Yorke, the Erle of Warwyke, the Erle of Salysburye wanne the felde, and so came with the kynge to London with mycche ryalte. And this yere the Kynge of Scottys with the rede face layde sege to Berwyke bothe by water and londe. he was dryve thensse, and all his ordenaunce and vitayle that was on the watir syde lefte be hynde them.

William Marowe, Maire

John Yonge William Holgrave

A o xxxiiije.

This yere was a grete horlynge be twene the mercers and Lombardes: and then the kynge helde his Counsell at Coventre. And Cauntelowe, mercer and alderman, was sent ffore to come a ffor the kynges Counsell; and as sone as he came he was a rested by the kynges commaundement, and the Baron of Dodley had him in kepinge in the Castell of Dudley for the mater a for wretyn.

Thomas Canynges,
Maire

Rauffe Verney
John Stewarde

A a xxxve.

This yere Sir Thomas Percy brake oute of Newgate. And in the same yere was an hurlynge by twene mercers with oper craftes a yenes Lombardes. And after that by comaundement of the kynge xxviijti mercers men and other were sent to Wyndsore Castell, and the Lorde Fakonbrige had the kepynge of them till thei came to the kynges presence. And in this same yere the Sencyall of Normandy, Sir Peers the Brasyle, and Flokket, came with iij M1

^a Inserted in margin by the Corrector.

b "the fyrst." Interlined by the Corrector in place of "a," struck ont.

c Pierre de Brézé, Seigneur de la Varenne.

d Robert de Floquet, bailiff of Evrenx. See Monstrelet, iii. 71.

men and londyd be syde Sandwyche, and toke the towne and spoyled hit, and toke a way myche goode, and slewe dyverse persones, and toke many prisoners; but the contre came downe and drove hem a wey, and in her fleynge to shippe ther were drowned mo than viv men of the Frensshe parties.

Geffrey Bolleyn,
Maire

John Reyner
William Edward

A° xxxvj^c.

This yere as the Duke of Yorke and the Erle of Salysbury lay peasablye in London, than came to London the Duke of Somersett, and the Erle of Northehomberlond, and the Lord Egrymond, and other lordes of ther affynite, and loged hem from Tempill Bar to Westmester, with myche people all aboute to Seynt Gylis; and they came in that entent for to fight with the Duke of Yorke. And in the meane tyme came from Caleys the Erle of Warwyke with a godely fellaueshippe to helpe the Duke of Yorke and his fader, but the Meire off London with a godely fellaueshippe of men of armes kepte the pees. And in the same yere Bysshoppe Pecok Bysshop Pecok. was acusyd of heresye, and many of his bokys brent, and he put in holde to the Erchebyshoppe of Caunterbury. And the same yere the Erle of Warwyke destressed the Flete of Spayne taward Flawndres. Also a none after he toke xvij hulkes with oper smaler vesselles laden with salt for be cause they wolde not strike in the kinges name of Inglond.

Thomas Scott,

Maire

Rauffe Josselyng

Richard Medam

A o xxxvije.

This yere was a grete fraye be twene the Cite of London and A grete fray in men of Cowrte, which were drevyn with the Archeres of the Fletestrete betwene tiple Cite from the Standarde in Flete strete to ther innes, the xiij day of men of Corte. Apreill, and some were slayne and some were taken, where for William Tayllour, Alderman of the same warde, was sent to Wyndsore to a byde the kynges grace, and ther thei bode till Hewlyn was Meire, and so thorowe his prayer thei had grace of the kynge. And his same yere the kynge and the quene and ther lordes lete make a grete gaderynge in the northe contre, where of

Blorehethe felde.

was grete noyse. And the Erle of Warwyke came from Caleys thorowe London, and the Erle of Salysbery went from Medlame for to mete withe the Duke of Yorke and Warwyke his sonne with iiij M¹ men, and the quene lay by the wey with xiiij M¹ men to stoppe his wey. And he toke a felde manly at Blorehethe the xxiij day of Septembre, and faught and slowe many and put the remnant to flight, and helde forthe his wey in purpos to Ludlowe, where Kynge Henry came with 1 M men a gayne the Duke of Yorke, the Erle of Marche, the Erle of Rotlonde, the Erle of Warwyke, the Erle of Salysbury, the whiche never entended to be operwyse then feythefull and trewe liege men to the kynge, but crowelly were banysshed oute of this londe and not excepte like as thei were worthi. And so ther departed the Duke of Yorke and his sonne Rotland thorowe Godis helpe in to Irelande; and the Erle of Marche, the Erle of Warwyke, and the Erle of Salysbury, and Sir John Wenloke in a litell vessell, Almighti God gided hem oute of the Weste Contre by the see to Caleys.

William Hewlyn, $\{$ John Plomer $\}$ $\{$ A $^{\circ}$ xxxviij $^{\circ}$.

This yere the kynge graunted the Duke of Somersett for to be Capteyne of Caleys. A[nd] anone he made him redy thedirwarde; but the Erle of Warwyke was per a fore, and kepte him that he myght not londe there; and so he was conveyed to Gynes and his pepylle, and assone as he was with in the castell he made stronge werre a gaynes Caleys, and they of Calys a gaynes him. And than he sent in to Englonde to the kynge for more pepull. And so the kyng sent the Lorde Ryveres and his sonne Antony with iiije men for to strenthe the Duke of Somersett. And as they were at Sandwyche the Erle off Warwyke had knowleche, and a none he made a sawte over with a godely fellaweshippe and londed at Sandwyche, and toke the Lorde Reveres and his sonne and distrussyd all his pepull. And so they were brought to Caleys a yenes her will. And this yere a for this tyme the Duke of Exceter was syned for kepe the see a yenes the Erle of Warwike, but his viage turned to

nought; and or he went to the see he toke a gentilman of the Temple that was called Nevell, and John Goode felaue, vinter, and oper viij persones, and bare hem on honde that they were going to Caleys to the Erle of Warwyke with bowestrenges and arowes heded. And here upon thei were dampned of treison, and her hedis sett on London Brige, and ther quarters on the yatis aboute the towne. And this yere Judde, that was maister of the kynges ordenaunce, as he caried ordenaunce to the kynge warde, a litell beyonde Seint Albonis, he was slayne on Seint Albones daye. And pat same tyme Moumfford was made capteyne of iiije men for to goo to helpe the Duke of Somersett. And as they were at Sandwiche the Erle of Warwyke had knowleche of them, and a none he made oute a pussaunce of pepulle and beseged Sandwyche, and wanne the towne, and toke Moumford, and many of his men slayne; and so they led him to Caleys, and so led him to Rise banke, and ther the shipmen smote of his hede, and ij of his menes hedis. And sone after came the Erle of Marche, the Erle of Warwyke, the Erle of Salysbury, and Sir John Wenlok, and the Lorde Audeley from Caleys, and londid at Sandwyche; and so they came to London warde, and ther mett with hem the Lorde Cobham and oper statys and comyns of Kentt, and so they came to London. And the Lorde Scalys was that tyme in London, and he desired to be capteyn of the cite but the comenys wolde not have him. Than the Lord Scalis, the Lord Lovell, the Erle of Kendale, Thorpe, and Browne of Kentt, and many galy men, with oper peopulle, went to the Toure of London, and made grete werre a yenes the cite. And in the mene tyme thes oper lordes sent to the meire and to the statis of the cite for to have all ther hertes. And a none ther was sent sertayne aldermen and comynes for to well come them; and so they came with all ther pussaunce of pepull in to Sowthwerke. And on the morowe they came, to the nombre of xlm1, to London Brigge, and toke downe suche hedis as were there, and beryed them at Seint Mangnus; and so they rode forthe to Seint Powlys and ther offerd. And bere mett with them the Erchebysshoppe of Cawnterbury,

withe many other bysshoppes, and the meire and the aldermen, with all the statis of the eite; and ther was declared all the poyntis and pardon to all the realme. And than all thes lordis went to the Grey Frerys and helde ther a counsell on the Thorsday. And on the Fryday they went to the Gelde halle, and ther was endited many persones and putt in presone. And sone after rode the Erchebysshoppe of Caunterbury, the Bysshoppe of Excester, and many other bysshoppis, and a legett, and the Erle of Marche, and the Erle of Warwyke, the Lord Faconbryge, the Lorde Bowser, and his sonnes, with myche other pepull of Kent, Southesex, and Esex, tawarde the kynge with grete ordenaunce; and the Erle of Salysbury, the Lorde Cobham, and Sir John Wenlock, were lefte in the cite of London with the meire. And for the with the Lord Cobham and the shoreffes went and laide grete ordenaunce a yenes the Toure on the towne syde, and Sir John Wenlok, and Harow mercer, kept on Seint Katerynes side, and myche harme done on bothe parties. And in all placis of London was grete watche for doute of tresoun. And then they skyrmysed to gedir, and myche harme was done dayly. And on the Thorsdye, the ixth b day of Julle, was the batayll be syde Northhampton in the Newfelde be twene Harsyngton and Sandyfforde, and ther was the kynge take in his tente. And ther was slayne the Duke of Bockyngham, the Erle of Shrovysbury, the Vycounte Bemonde, the Lord Egremonde, and Sir William Lucy, and many other knyghtes and squyers, and many compners were drowned. And than the Erle of Marche, and the Erle of Warwyke, with oper lordis, brought the kynge to Northampton with myche rialte. And so the kynge with his lordis came to London, with him the Erle of Marche; be Erle of Warwyke bare the kynges swerde. And ther came with the kynge the Bysshoppe of Caunterburye, withe many other bysshoppes and lordis. And the Erle of Salysbury rode a yenes the kynge withe myche rialte; and then was called and sett a Parlement. And on

^a Francesco Coppini, bishop of Teramo.

^b Should be the 10th, which was Thursday.

the Fryday after the kynge herde the masse of Jesus at Poulys, and so went a processyon thorowe the cite. And on that same daie was the Towre volden. And on the Satyrday Sir John Wenlok and Harowe mercer were sent to the Toure to put hem to warde that were gilty, and so thei dide; but they sent the Lord Scalys a The Lorde Scalys wey prevely. And that was perceyved by the shippmen, and they July, Ao D'ni Malijij. laide watche and toke him, and slowe him and leyde him naked lx. in Seint Mary Overes chirche yerde. And forthe with the Erle of Warwyke rode to the Toure, and ther he made a proclamacion, and all a boute the cite, chargynge that no maner of persone shuld not sle, nor stelle, nor morder, on peyne of dethe. And the same day dyned all the bysshoppes and lordis with the meire. And on the Wenesday aftir the lordis and the meire went to the Gildhall, and they communded the shorevys to fette the prisoners from the Toure, and so they feghte Senkeler, and Browne of Kent, Okeley, Monkys, Davy John, Fawkoner, with oper, whiche were reyned, and some were dampned of tresoun, and were drawe and hanged, and her hedis smytten of. And this yere Thorpe was goinge a wey, and he was disgysed, but he was take and brought to London a yene with a newe shave crowne, and so brought to the Erle of Salysbury place, and afterwarde sent to the Toure of London. This yere came the Duke of Yorke and his sonne Erle of Rotlonde oute of Irlonde to Westmester, to the forsaide Parlement, on a Friday, the x day of Octobre, cleymynge his right and titell, where in the lordis were a yenes him, but that was afterward full dere bought. And ther it was argued and prevvd be twene Kynge Harry and the seid duke. with all ther wise counsell, spirituall and temporall, in the seid Parlement, that pe right of the crowne is of Inglond and of Fraunce to be seid duke and his eyes perteyneth and longethe, and to none othir. And yett they be liege men a yene to Kyng Henry for his lyve tyme, and eche to oper sworne to be trewe, and hit was proclamed.

Richard Lee, Maire { John Lambard Richard Flomynge A° xxxix°.

slayne the xxth day of

Wakefelde on new yere evyn.

The Secunde Batell [at] Seynt Albons.

Md., the Erle of Marche, fyrst so namyd Edwarde the iiijth.

This yere the Duke of Yorke, the Erle of Rotland, and the Erle of Salysbury, with myche oper pepull, rode northewarde to kepe her Crystmas. And there lay in her wey at Wakefelde to stope hem the Duke of Excester, the Duke of Somersett, the Erle of Wildeshire, the Lord Roose, with other lordys and myche other pepull, and so fell upon hem and slowe the Duke of Yorke, the Erle of Rotlonde, the Erle of Salysbury, and Harowe and Pekerynge, mercers, and myche other pepull; and this was done on newe veris evyn. And a none after the quene reysed all the northe and all oper pepull by the wey, compelled, dispoyled, rubbed, and distroved all maner of cattell, vetayll, and riches to Seint Albones, where be Duke of Northefolke, the Erle of Warwyke, and many oper lordis with Kynge Harrye and grete multitude of comynes and ordynaunce mett with hem with batayle, and slewe myche pepull on bothe the parties. And there Kynge Henry brake his othe and grement made be twene hym and his trewe lordis, and so wyckedly for sworne went to the contrary parte of the northe, and disseyved his trewe lordis that stode in grete jopardy for his sake, Northeffolke, Warwyke, with other moo, whiche were full fayne to scape with her lyves, and the Lorde Bonvyle and Sir Thomas Kyryell, that bode with the kynge and trusted on him, for he graunted to save them; and they were be hedid evyn a for the quene and prince so called at that tyme. And so the kynge and the quene purposed for to come to London and do excucion upon suche persones as was a yenes the quene; but the comynes of the cite wolde not suffer hem, nor none of herrys, to entyr in to London; and so they torned northewarde. And the Erle of Marche callyd, after was kyng, kept his Crystmas at Glowceter. And when tythinges came that my lorde his fader and his brother with many oper lordys falsely was mortherd and slayne, to hym the grettes hevynes that might be, and how the northe was reysed like as it is a for wretyn commynge southewarde, than a none he dide sende in to dyverse shires of knowlache, and sone after he hadde xxx M1 of gode men commyng to fyght with hem. Than came sodenly oper tidynges

that the Erle of Wildshire and the Erle of Pembroke by see were come in to Walys with Frensshemen and Brettons, and Iresshe men, comynge and reysen Walys thorowe purposynge hem for to distroye hym, and he with all his men torned a yene baewarde in to Walis and mett with hem at Mortymers Crosse, where that hit was Mortymers Crosse in saide on a Sonday Candilmasday by the morowe appered the sonne Walys. as iij sonnys sondry on hym in the este and closyd a yene to geder. And than he kneled doune on his kneis and made his prayers and thanked God. And anone fresshly and manly he toke the felde upon his enemyes and put hem at flyght, and slewe of them iij M1, and some of ther capteyns were take and be hedide, but Pembroke and Wildshire stale a wey prevely disgysed and fled oute of the contrey. And a none forthe with he made him redy a gayne in the marche of Walis, and on the Thorsday the first weke of Lenten he came to London with xxx M1 men of Westren men and Walsshmen. Kentes men and Esex men togeders, and so in feld and towne everychone called Edward Kynge of Ingelond and of Fraunce, Md. Kyng Edward And the iiijth day of Marche he rode to Westmester and resseyved the iiijth at Westmynster the iiijth day the septor with his dignite. And also that tyme Sir Baudewyn of Marche toke fyrst Fulforde, knyght, and Haysond, squyer, were saylenge on the see dignite, but not hys taward Brettayne for to reysse pepull agaynes Kynge Edwarde, but crowne. they were take and brought to Bristowe, and ther were drawe, hanged, and quartered, and Sir Baudwyns hede caryed to Excester and sate upon the eastell yate. And than our Kynge Edwarde Palme Sonday fefidel made him redy with hym the Duke of Northeffolke, the Erle of called York felde, the Warwyke, the Erle of Kent, with oper lordis, knyghtes, and A" D'ni m'.iiije.lxj". squyers northewarde, and hem followed grete multitude of pepull, and thei mette be side Shireborne with the lordes of the northe on ether syde lyke an C. MI. And ther was slayne on bothe partes xxxvj M¹, vije, lxxvij. And ther wan Kynge Edwarde the felde thanked by Jesu. And than rode the kynge to Yorke and ther he was rialy resseyved. And ther he in the eastell toke the Erle of Devynysshyre and oper mo, and did lett smyte of her hedes. And Kynge Harrye fled with his quene and dyverse lordis with hem to

Berwyke, and they delyverd that towne and many opere castelles in the northe to the Scottis and to the Frensshemen for to have socoure of hem. And after that Kynge Edward came a yene to London, and ther he was rialy resseyved, and forthe with he was crowned at Westmester the xxviij daye of June on Seint Petirs evyn. And there he made his ij brethern dukys, that is to sey, Lorde George Duke of Clarence, the Lorde Richard Duke of Glowcester, and he made many knyghtes and squyers.

Coronacio Edwardi iiij^{ti}, 28 die Junii, A° D'ni 1461.

Edwardns iiijtus.

Thes bethe the names of the Maires and Shoreffes of the Cite of London in the tyme of the regne of Kynge Edward the Fourthe.

Hugh Wyche, Maire { John Locke George Irelond } Ao primo.

This yere was imagened and wrought grete treyson a yenes the kynge by the menys of the Erle of Oxenford and his sonne Aubry, with oper knyghtes and the kynges rebelles, traytors and advessarves with oute the londe, the whiche tresones God sent the kynge hym selfe knowleche, and anon they were taken and juged to dethe. Fyrst the Lorde Aubrye was drawe the xx daye of Feverell thorowe London to the Toure Hill, and ther he was behedid; and the xxiij day of Feveryll was Sir Thomas Tudnam, knyght, and Sir William Tyrrell and John Mongomery, squyer, drawe from Westmester thorowe London to the Toure Hill, and ther was be hedyd upon a And the xxvj day of the same months was John Veer the Erle of Oxynford led thorowe London to the Toure Hill, and ther was be heded on the same scaffolde. And the fyrst d[a]y of Marche was Sir William Kenedy, knyght, led from Westmester thorowe London to the Toure Hill, and ij other men with him, and ther were be hedid on the same scaffold. Also this yere the Egill on Poulis stepell was take downe for hit was broke, but whan hit shulde be set up a yene he that shulde have set it up fell downe and was dede, and so anoper man was hired and sett up the Egyll the iij daye of Juyll. This yere was dyverse of the castelles in the northe yolden a yene to Kynge Edwarde.

Thomas Cooke, $\{$ William Hampton $\}$ A^o ij^c .

This yere Quene Margaret toke Bamburgh, Anwyke, and Donsynburgh with the nombre of vj m¹ of Frensshemen; and in this same yere the kynge did make grete gunnes and other grete ordynaunce at London, and did do eary hit in to the northe contre. And ther the kynge with thes lordis laide sege to thes eastelles a for wreten; the whiche were yolden, savynge Bambrough wold not yelde till the wallys were betten downe; and ther in was take Sir Rauffe Graye, knyght, and he was be heded at Yorke. Also this yere Thomas Routhe, squyer, and ij oper men, were be hedid at the Toure Hill for treson. Also this yere the Duke off Somersett be came the kynges liege man and sworne, but he kepte not his othe, for he went a yene to the contrary parte.

Matheus Philippe, { Thomas Muscehamp Robert Bassett } Ao iij^e.

This yere came diverse lordes and gentillez to Exham of the quenes affynete, and the Lord Mountegew with other knyghtes an squyers had knowleche of them, and ther thei toke the moste parti of them, that is for to sey: Harry the Duke of Somersett, the whiche was be heded the xv day of May at Exham; Sir Emonde Fyssh, knyght, Bradshawe, Rawlyne Honte, and Blacke Jackett, were be heded at Yorke the xv day of May; and the xviij day of May was be hedid Sir Thomas Hull, knyght, John Marfyn, late servaunte with the quene, John Botler, John Gosse, late kerver to the Duke of Somersett, Roger Water, late pureer to Kynge Henry that was, Harry Doefford, William Dawson, William Pryce, Thomas Hegge, Thomas Fenwyck, and John Champyon; at Midlam were be heded Sir Philippe Wynterworthe, knyght, Sir William Ponyngton, wardevne of Topelyff, Olyver Wyntworthe, William Spyller of Yorke, Thomas Honte, late yoman with the quene that was. Also at Newcastell the xxvij day of May were beheded the Lord Honger-

a Wentworth.

A grete drought, for it never reyned from tyl the morow after Mydsomer day.

ford, the Lorde Roose, Sir Thomas Fyndorne, knyght, Bernarde Delamore, Nicholas Massy, and the xxviij day of May was other vj persones be heded. Also this yere was a grete drouthe, the whiche the myddys of Marche duryd from myddes of Marche till the morne after Mydsomer day that never reyned. And this yere whete was worthe iiij d. a busshell, and all maner of vetaille grete chepe, and wyne grete chepe, and grete skarssete of money. Also this yere was a grete pestilence thorowe all the realme.

> Rauff Josselynge,
> Maire
>
> John Tate
> John Stone Ao iiije.

This yere there was a grete frost and grete snowne, where thorowe mych cattell of bestis and shepe for fawte of mete were

distroyed. Also this yere the kynge spoused the duches doughter of Bedford, be whiche was crowned at Westmester the Sonday a for Wytsonday, that is to sey, the xxvj day of Maye, att the whiche coronacion was made xlvij Knyghtes of the Bathe, where of were foure men of London, but is to sey, Rauffe Josselynge, draper, that tyme beynge maire, Hugh Wiche, mercer, John Plomer, grocer, Harry Waffer, draper. Also this same yere Kynge Harry was take in the northe contre, and ij doctors with him, the whiche wer called Doctor Mannynge and Doctor Beden, the whiche were all thre brought to London. And by the wey the Erle of Warwyke mett with hem at Islyngdon by the kynges comaundement, and ther a rested the forsayde Kynge Hanry upon serteyne poyntes, and so brought him in att Newgate and thorowe Chepe side, and so thorow all London to the Toure, that is to sey, on Seint James Here be gan fyrst the evyn the xxiiij day of Jule. Also this yere the kynge lete smyte a newe noble with a roose standyng there as the crosse shulde at the value of x s. ster. And the olde nobill was valued, and so to goo for viijs. iiijd. And ther was newe grotes and pensse made after the valewe of the nobyll, that is to sey, lighter then they were a fore. Also he lete make a pece of golde valued at vjs. viijd.,

that is to sey an angell, and oper smaller peces of golde of les

The coronacion of Quene Elyzabeth.

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HISTORICAL MEMORANDA

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I. Siege of Calais, 1346.

(At f. 139.)

Her begyneth the retenewe of the dowty kynge, K. Edward the thirde, and howe he went to the sege of Callis with his oste, and to the partes of Fraunche and of Normandye, and howe he layde sege to the towne and castall of Callys be water and londe in the yere of oure Lorde God a Mijijc & xlvj. And in the iij day of Septembur the good Kyng Edward the thirde laide his segge to pe towne and castell of Callis, and ther contenewide his sege be water and londe unto the iij dai of Auguste next following, at the whiche dai, moynant the grace of Almyghty Jesu, the saide towne and castell were delivered unto the saide good Kynge Edward at his owne welle, &c.

Item, furst Edward, princ	e of	Wally	s, and	lthe	Bisch	ope	
of Dyvelyn they brow	ight i	vith tl	ıeym	erlys	a .		хj
Barones and baneretes .							xlvij
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And of knyghtes they brought xc.lxiij							
Squyers, constablys, receivers, and leders of men with the oste iijmli.vjc Item, in venterars and archers on horsbacke vmli.iiijc Item, of hobelares vjc Item, archers on fotte xvmli.iiijc.iiijxx Item, of masones, carpentrs, smythis, engyners, pavy- landrs, armorars, goners, and macker of artorie . iijc.iiijxx Some of penombur of pemen be forsayde comythe to							
Item, of mayster schepmen, constalars, schepmen, and pages, schepis forstaged, barges and ballyngrs, and vetylars diverse, the some of men beforseide, xlvjm ⁱⁱ .iiijc.iiij ^{xx} xij And some of the schipes and schipmen and vetellers							
Theys bene the names of \mathfrak{p}^{e} seide retenewe of Prince Edward and with hym in his retenewe.							
Item, baneretes							
The yerle of Lancaster.							
Item, with him of kny3ts baneretes Item, with him of knyghtes bachellers Item, with him of squyers Item, with him archres on fote Summa, M ^{II} .iiijc.xxxiiij.							

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Sir William Be	cheha	m, I	Erle N	oting	ham.ª		
Item, with him knightes bar							ijс
Item, with him knyghtes ba	chele:	rs					xlij
Item, with hym of squyrs							Cxij
Item, with hym of archeres							exlj
•							j**xv.
Sir William I	Becha	mp.	Erle o			<i>J</i> -	J
Item, with him knightes ba		_					iij
Item, with him knyghtes ba					•	•	xlij
Item, with him squyers					•		Cxij
Item, with him of archres			•	•	•	•	Cxlj
tom, with fill of filenes	•	•					xxviij.
Sin Diah	1 T	21			na, n	,.IIIj	xviij.
Sir Richa							•••
With him kny3ts baneretes	•	•	•	•	•	•	iij
With him kny5ts bachelers	•	•	•	•	•	٠	xlj
With him of squyers .	•	٠	•	•	•	٠	Cvj
With him of archers .	•	•	•	•			clij
						ıma,	iijc.ij.
Syr Robert I	Daffer	d,c I	Erle of	Soffe	olke.		
With him kny3ts bancretes	•		•	•	•		j
With hym knyghtes bachele	ers		•	•	•		xxxvj
With hyme of squyers .	•	•		•			lviij
With him of archers .	•						lxiiij
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Sir William Ely	nton,	Er	le of I	Iunty	ngtor	ın.	
And with him knightes ban	eretes	3.					. ij
And with him kny3tes bach							. XXX
And with him of squyers							iiiixxxiii
And with him of archers							
							c.xiij.
* There was no such title in thos	e days	and	even th	ia enriii			

^{*} There was no such title in those days, and even the surname appears to be erroneous. Sir William de Bohun, Earl of Northampton, is probably the person intended.

^b Sir Thomas Beauchamp, Earl of Warwick, appears to be the person intended.

[°] d'Ufford. d Should be Clynton.

Sir John Vere, Er	Sir John Vere, Erle of Oxenford.								
With hym kny3tes baneretes					. ј				
With him knyghtes bachelers .									
With hym of squyers					vliiii				
With hym of archers					iij ^{xx} iiij				
				vij ^{xx}	& xj.				
Sir Lawraunce Hastingis	, Erle	of Pe	abroc	ke.					
With him knyghtes baneretes .					. j				
With him kny3tes bachelers					. j				
With him of squyers					xxiiij				
With him of hoblers		•		•	xxviij				
With him of archers	•								
		S	umma	ı, iiij	score.				
Theys bene the names of diverse laretenewe that ben straungers and afforseyd: Lowes, emperoure of pe Normayn in prest at diverse tymes for mens	es, to his w . I to his his me eny. his me and his e Bische ark of uyres, a ge and	him vages viii men ney n men iii ope of Bradi	delliv and im'.ijc viijm	erd his c.xxvi iiii iiii iiii iiii c. iiij c. iiig ges, ceh, gers	jli. xijd. xijli. xs. M.vC.xij				

Item, to Bawdwyne, Ersbischope of Thyne, and his meny vjc.vjli. Item, to the Ersbishipe of Magondenentes, and his meny iijc.lli. Summa totalis prestez xxxjm^h.lxiiijli. vs. xjd.

The sume total of \mathfrak{p}^e saide exspences, as wil for wage, prestis, as for \mathfrak{p}^e exspencis of \mathfrak{p}^e Kyngis house as for other giftes and rewardes, and for schipes, and for other thynges neserers in \mathfrak{p}^e saide partis of Frannee and Normandy, and before Calis durynge the sege there, as it apperithe in the compe of Wil Norwell, keper of \mathfrak{p}^e kyngis warddrope, from the xij day of Juylii, the yere of \mathfrak{p}^e reigne of \mathfrak{p}^e saide Kynge Edward, unto the xxvij daie of Maye, in \mathfrak{p}^e yere of his reigne the xiiijth, that is to saie be a yere and iij quartres and xlj days, \mathfrak{p} at ys to saie, iijc.&xxxvij \mathfrak{m}^{li} .c.iiijli. ixs. iiijd.

In the yere of oure Lorde God a M^h.iijc xlvj, and in the iij daf of September, the good Kynge Edward the iij^{de} laide his sege to the towne and eastill of Calis, and contenewed his sege be water and londe unto p^e iij dai of Auguste next followynge, at the whiche day, moynant p^e grace of our Lorde God, the saide towne and eastill were delliverd unto the saide good Kynge Edward at his owne will.

II. Edward IV. at Bristol, 1461. (At f. 132.)

The Receyvyng of King Edward the iiijth at Brystowe.

First, at the comyng ynne atte Temple gate there stode Wylliam Conquerour with iij lordis, and these were his wordis:

Well come, Edwarde, our Son of high degre, Many yeeris hast pⁿ lakkyd owte of this londe. I am thy fore fader, Wylliam of Normandye, To see thy welefare here thrugh Goddys sond.

Over the same gate stondyng a greet gyaunt delyveryng the keyes.

a Maguntinensis, i. c. of Mayence.

^b This fragment has been already printed by Mr. Halliwell in the appendix to Warkworth's Chronicle, p. 32.

 $[\]circ$ *i.e.* by a mission from God.

The Receyving atte Temple Crosse next following.

There was Seynt George on horsbakke uppon a tent fyghtyng with a dragon, and the kyng and the quene on hygh in a castell, and his doughter benethe with a lambe. And atte the sleyng of the dragon ther was a greet melody of aungellys.

III. Capitulation of Granada, 1492.

(III. At f. 141.)

Be hyt had yn mynde that the cite of Garnartho, the whiche sometyme was Crysten, and after were renegates, and so contynued the space of vijc. yere unto the tyme hit plesed God the Crysten Kyng of Spayne layd sege to the sayde cyte, and so famysshed them, in so moche as the fyrst day of January, the yere of our Lord M¹.iiijc.iiijxxxj,a the sayd cite be poynt ment was yelde up and deliverd to the forsaid Kyng of Spayne, every Sarazyn to have as moche of his owne stuf as he cowde bere on hys bak at oon tyme, harnes, gold, sylver, and wepyn oonely except.

Item, whan the fyrst man entred the cyte they founde xxx^{ti}M¹. payre of bryganders, where of vjM¹. were coverd with clothe of gold and sylk nailed with gilt nailes. Item, thei fownd iiijM¹. peire of white harnes complete, xxijM¹. crossebowes with alle thapparrell to them belongyng, xxiiijM¹. swerdes, where of xM¹. were gylt and harnest with sylver, cehe of them to the valeue of l.s. sterlynges. Item, ther was founde in the saide cite, at soche tyme as it was yeld up, the nowmbre of xxiij¹iC.M¹. and xM¹. people betwext the age of xij and iijxx yere, be side children and very olde people. Item, in the chefe tempyll were iijc. laumpes of gold, the worst of b them to the valew of xxiiij¹i li. sterlynges. In the same temple also were iiij chayres of gold, and xxij¹i sylver setys for the kyng, the quene, and other lordes. In the same temple also was founde grete plente

a 1492 according to the historical year which begins on the 1 Jan.

b of repeated in MS.

of gold and sylver redy coyned, which the Kyng of Spayne left there styll to byld therewith a chyrche, where as afore was the tempyll of ydolatrye. Item, in one of the eastels where as the kyng and the quene of Garnartho logged, the walles of the halle and chambers were of marbel, crystall, and jasper, set with precious stones, and more over there was fownde grete and innumerable ryches. Item, or thei wold yeld up the citee for lak of vytalles, thei etc hors, dogges, and eattes, ijc. Crysten men ther beyng prisoners.

IV. The Battle of Flodden, 1513.^a

(At f. 204.)

Here followyth the batyll be twyxte the Kyng of Scottys callyd Kyng Jamys and the noble Eerele of Surrey, foughten yn Bramton Felde the ixth day of Septembre, in the fyfte yere of Kyng Henrye the viijth [he then beyng in his warres in Fraunce.] ^b

Fyrste whan bothe armyes were met with yn iij myles togedyr, the Erle of Surrey sent an offycer of armes called Roger Crosse of un to the Kyng of Scottes desyryng hym of batell, and he answerde he wolde abyde hym batell tyll the Fryday at noone. The Lorde Howarde at xj of the clok the same day passyd over the brydge of Twyssell with the fowarde and artyllerye, and the Erle of Surrey folowde with the rewarde. The armye was devyded yn to ij batelles, and every batell ij wynges. The Kyng of Scottes armye was devyded in to fyve batelles, and every batell arowe shote from another, and all yn lyke farnes from the Englyssh men, and they were in greet plompes, parte of them were quadrant, some pykewyse, and were on the toppe of the hyll, beyng a quarter of a myle from the foote ther of. The Lorde Howarde cawsed his vowarde to scale yn

^a This account is nearly the same as that printed in the State Papers of Henry VIII. vol. iv. p. 1, from a MS. in the Public Record Office, but there are material variations, especially towards the end.

b Added in a different hand.

[°] MS. Rog' crosse, i. e. Rouge Croix.

a lytell valey tyll they were ——— a of the wynge of hys batell; and then bothe wardes yn oone avaunced ageynste the Scottes; and then they cam downe the hyll and met with them yn good ordre after the Allmens manner, with owte spekyng of any wordes. Erele of Huntley — b and Crafford with theyre hoste cam uppon the Lorde of Howard with vjul. men, and shortley theyr bakkes were turned and the most parte of them were slayne. Then the Kyng of Scottes cam with a grete poysaunce uppon the Erle of Surrey, havyng on hys lyfte hande the Lorde Dacars son, whych two bare all the brounte of the batell; and there the sayde kyng was slayne with yn a speere-length of the sayde erele and meney noble men with hym, and no prisoners to these ij batelles. And yn the tyme of theyr batell theerle of Ly-d and Argylle with theyre puysaunce youned with Sr Edwarde Stanley, and he boldely met with them and put them bothe to flyte. Edmonde Howarde had with hym M1. Chesshyre men and vc. Lankyshyre men, and meny gentyllmen of Yorkshyre on the ryght wyng of the Lorde Howarde. The Lorde Chamberleyn of Scotlonde, with many other lordes, dyd set on the forsayde Edmunde; and the Chesshyre men and Lankysshyre men never abode stroke, and verey few of the gentylmen of Yorkshyre abode but fled. Master Grey and Sir Umfrey Lyle be prisoners and Rycharde Harepotell slayue; and the seyde Edmunde Howarde was twyse fellyd, and to hys relyfe cam the Lorde Dacars with xvc. men and put to flyte all the Scottes, and of hys men were slavne abowte the nomebre of viijc.; in whyche batell a gret nomebre of Scottes were slayne. The batell began be twene iiij and v of the clok at aftyrnoone, and the chase lastyd iij myle, with mervylous slawter of men; and yf the Englyssh men had be horsyd to have pursuede the chase they had slayne xm1. mo Scottes than there were

^a Blank in MS. The reading in the Record Office MS. is, "tyll the rerewarde were joyned to oon of the wynges."

b Blank in MS. The Record Office MS. reads, "Arell" (i. e. Erroll).

^c The Record Office MS. reads, "my Lord Darcy son."

^d The latter part of the name is left blank in our MS. That in the Record Office reads, "therles of Lynewes (i. e. Lennox) and Argyll."

slayne, for the Scottes were above iiij score M. And borederars not oonely stale awey horsys, but allso the oxen that drew the ordnaunce, and cam to the pavylions and toke awey all the stuffe there yn, and slew meny of them that kep the same. The Kyng of Scottes body is karryd to Berwyke. Allso on the morrowe after that the felde was fawght the Lorde Howarde went yn to the felde ageyne, where that the Scottes ordynaunce lay, with a smawle companye of men. And then cam viijc. Scottes on hors bak presupposyng to have had awey the ordynaunce which they lefte behynde them the day before; and when they sawe the Lorde Howarde they set apon hym, and there they began a sore fray, for then were meny men slayne on bothe partys; there were ijc. of Scottes slayne, and of Englyssh men I can not tell. There was slayne oone gentyll man callyd Morres Bakley, and oone othyr callyd Warcoppe, with maney other whyche be not yet knowen.

V. Books prohibited, 1531.

(At f. 65.)

Memorandum, the first Sonday of Advent, in the yere of our Lorde M¹. fyve hundreth and xxxjth, these bokes folowyng were opynly at Poules Cresse, by the autorite of my lorde of London a under his autentycal siale, by the doctor that that day prechide, prohibite, and straytely commaunded of no maner of man to be used, bought, nor solde, nor to be red, under payne of suspencion, and a greter payne, as more large apperyth in for sayde autoryte. The first boke ys this:—

- 1. The disputacion betwixte the father and the son.
- 2. The Supplication of Beggars.
- 3. The Revelation of Antechriste.
- 4. Liber qui de veteri et novicio Deo inscribitur.

John Stokesley.

b The word novo occurs before novicio, but is erased.

- 5. Pie Precaciones.
- 6. Economica Christiana.
- 7. The Burying of the Masse, in English yn ryme.
- 8. An Exposition in to the vij chapter to the Corinthians.
- 9. The Matrimony of Tyndal.
- 10. A. B. C. ayenst the Clergye.
- 11. Ortulus Anime, in Englisshe.
- 12. A Boke a yenst Saynt Thomas of Caunterbury.^a
- 13. A Boke made by Freer Roye a yenst the Sevyn Sacramentes.
- 14. An Answere of Tyndal unto Sir Thomas Mores Dyaloge yn English.
 - 15. A Disputacion of Purgatorye, made by John Frythe.
 - 16. The Firste Boke of Moyses called Genesis.
 - 17. A prologe in the ijde Boke of Moyses called Exodus.
 - 18. A prologe in Thyrde Boke of Moyses called Leviticus.
 - 19. A prologe in the iiijth Boke of Moyses called Numeri.
 - 20. A prologe in the vth Boke of Moyses called Detronomye.
 - 21. The Practyse of Prelates.
- 22. The Newe Testament in English with a Introduction to the Epistle to the Romaynes.
 - 23. The Barable of the Wyked Mammonde.
 - 24. The Obediens of a Chrysten Man.
 - 25. A Boke of Thorpe, or of John Oldecastell.
 - 26. The Some of Scripture.
 - 27. The Prymer in Englissh.
 - 28. The Psalter in Englissh.
 - 29. A Dyalog betwyxt the Gentylman and the Plowman.
 - 30. Jonas in Englissh.

And all other suspect bookes, bothe in Englissh and in Laten, as well now printed or that here after shall be printed, and not here afore namyd.

^a The words "in Englissh" were here added, but are struck out.

VI. St. Peter's Cornhill, 1435.

(At f. 202 b.)

A decre and statute made by the honorable cownseyle of the Cite of London for the gevyng of the benyfice of Seynt Peters in Cornehull.

Where some tyme there was greate contraversy and stryfe betwixt the Mayre of London, the Aldermen, and the Commen Counsayle of the same Cite of London, for the gyfte and presentacyon of the saide benifyce and parissh church of Seint Peters in Corne hull; and for to avoyde, exscue, and put away the greate stryfe and contraversy be twyxte the seyde Mayre, Aldermen, and the Commen Cownseile, and to set them in a peaceable order, it was enactyd, statuted, and decrede by all the hole counsel of the saide cite, which counsaile was kept in the tyme of Henry Frowyke, then beyng mayre of the sayde cite, and the aldermen of the same cite, holde and kept the xxvijth day of the moneth of Octobre, the yere of the reggne of Kyng Henry, the Syxt aftir the Conquest, xiiijth, by the foresaide mayre, aldermen, with the hole assent, mynde, and grement of the comynalte godly and holsomely to be provided from that day for evermore, that whan so ever the sayde churche chaunceth to be voyde, that as then fowre clerkys famous and seculer clerkes dwellyng with in the seide cite or a myle a bought the same cite, able yn maners and sevens, to be assigned and chosyn by the sayde Mayre and Aldermen for the tyme being to name to the Comen Councel, foure persones after ther consciens, moste mete in maners and conyng to the same cure and benytice, of which foure thus namyd by the foure clerkes, they must be doctors of holy divinite or ellys bachylers of the same. And the persons thus named they must be seculer persons and not promoted. And of these maner of foure persons thus named, one of them, which semyth moste appte and expedyent bi the saide Mayre, Aldermen, and the

Comen Counseyle, to be take and presented to the same cure, promysing to them to keep residence there in the same cure, and so canonically there to be institute and inducte.

VII. Notes of various Occurrences.

(Inside the Cover.)

The listes that Anthony Lord Scales and Anthony the Bastarde of Burgoyne justyd yn in Smythfelde, the tymbre and workmanshippe ther of cost ijc. marke, and was of six of the thryftiest carpenters of London bought and made. The length vj^{xx} taylours yardes and x foote, and iiij^{xx} of brede and x foote, dowbyll barred; the inner barres were mytche gretter then the utter, and be twixt bothe v foote. The justes began the Thirsday next after Corpus Christi Day, Anno Domini M¹.iiijc.lxvii, and in the vijth yere of Kyng Edwarde the iiijth, Thomas Howlegrave, skynner, then beyng mayre of London.

Below this is a catalogue of the mayors of London, giving generally the mere names with hardly any dates appended, beginning with William Taylour, Mercer, who was mayor in 1468-9. In one or two cases, however, important memoranda are added, which are here transcribed. Opposite the name "Johannes Stokton, mercer," is the marginal note "Barnet feelde." Three lines lower down occurs "John Tate with the powlyd hed." Under the name "Stevyn Jenyn" occurs the note "Henricus Septimus hic moriebatur," and the succeeding entry is as follows:—

Thomas Bradbery, mercer. Capel successit pro residuo anni, quia Bradbery moriebatur.

It is remarkable that the death of Bradbury and succession of Capel are not mentioned by Fabyan. Three years later we have the following entry:—

Copynger, fysshmonger, moriebatur. Richard Haddon, secundo successit pro residuo anni.

And immediately after—

Wyllelmus Browne, mercer, moriebatur, et dominus Johannes Tate, miles, successit pro residuo anni.

[A.D. 1512-3].

[A.D. 1513-4].

Then passing over two mayoralties we come to the following entries, the first of which refers to the riot known as Evil May day:—

John Reste, grocer. In whose tyme on May Evyn at mydnyght [A.D. 1516-17] a grete nowmbre of mennys servauntes and prentis of London rose and spoyled the algentes of Seynt Martens and of Blaw[n]ehapylton; and also one Nutas, the kynges Frenche secretary, dwellyng in the parsonage at Saynt Andrew Undershafte, was put to flyte.

Exmewe, goldesmyth. Here cam in the legate from Rome, and [A.D. 1517-18]. the amerall and lordes of Fraunce.

A little lower we read :-

On the xvijth day of May, beyng Fryday, in the xiijth yere of Kyng Henrye the viijth, ————— ^d Duke of Bokyngham was behedyd at the Towre Hyll of London, be twene xj and xij afore none, and his hede and body forth with put in a cofyn and borne to the Austen Freers of London upon vj freers bakkys of the same place.

Next after Burges, draper, Mr. Mylborn, draper, Mundy, gold-[A.D. 1522-3]. smyth. The xviijth day of June, in this yere, the Kyng of Denmarke cam to Gre[n]wyche [152?].

Baldry, mercer.

[A.D. 1523-4].

Syr Wylliam Bayly made knyght at Bryde wel by K. H. the [A.D. 1524-5.] viijth, the xixth day of Feveryere, beyng Sonday.

Memorandum, the vijth day of Septembre, in the xviijth yere of Kyng Henry the viijth, the proclamatyon was made in London of the enhanceyng of gold.

^a His true name was John Meantis.

[°] William Gouffier, Sieur de Bonnivet

^b Cardinal Campeggio.

d Blank in MS.

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IN THE HANDWRITING OF JOHN STOWE,

FROM THE SAME MS.

A proclamation made by Jacke Cade, Capytayn of y^e Rebelles in Kent. Anno M.iiijc.l.^a

Thes be the poyntys, causes, and myscheves of gaderynge and assemblinge of us the Kynges lege men of Kent, the iiij day of June, the yere of owr Lorde M.iiijc.l., the regne of our sovereyn Lorde the Kynge xxix^{ti}, the whiche we trust to All myghte God to remedy, withe the helpe and the grace of God and of owr soverayn lorde the kynge, and the pore commyns of Ingelond, and elles we shall dye there fore:

We, consydering that the kynge owre sovereyn lorde, by the insaciable covetows malicious pompes, and fals and of nowght browght up certeyn persones, and dayly and nyghtly is about his hynesse, and dayly enforme hym that good is evyll and evyll is good, as Scripture witnesseth, Ve vobis qui dicitis bonum malum et malum bonum.

Item, they sey that owre sovereyn lorde is a bove his lawys to his pleysewr, and he may make it and breke it as hym lyst, withe owt eny distinction. The contrary is trew, and elles he shuld not have sworn to kepe it, the whyche we conceyved for the hyghest poynt

^a This heading is struck through with the pen, and below is written in small characters: "An other copi hathe 1460 at y° comyge in of y° Erles of Marche, Warwyke, and Sarum, with y° Lordes Faconbridge and Wenloke, from Calais to y° battayll at Northampton." But this note is likewise cancelled.

of treson that eny soget may do to make his prynce renn in perjury.

Item, they sey that the commons of Inglond wolde fyrst dystroye the kynges fryndes and afftarwarde hym selff, and then brynge the Duke of Yorke to be kyng, so that by ther fals menys and lyes they make hym to hate and to distroy his frendys, and cherysythe his fals traytors. They calle themselves his frendys, and yf ther were no more reson in ye worlde to knowe, he may knowe they be not his fryndes by theyr covytysnes.

Item, they sey that the kyng shuld lyve upon his commons, and that ther bodyes and goods ben the kynges; the contrary is trew, for then nedyd hym nevar perlement to syt to aske good of his comonys.

Item, they sey that it were gret reproffe to the kynge to take ageyne that he hath gevyn, so that they woll not sufere hym to have his owne good, ne londe, ne forfeture, ne eny other good but they aske it from hym, or ells they take bribes of other to gett it for them.

Item, it ys to be remedied that the fals traytours wyll sofre no man to come to the kynges presens for no cawse with out bribes where none owght to be had, ne no bribery about the kynges persone, but that eny man myght have his comynge to hym to aske hym grace or jugement in such cas as the kynge may gyve.

Item, it is a hevy thynge that y^e good Duke of Gloucestar was apechid of treson by o fals traytour alone and so sone was morderyd and myght nevar come to his answer; but the fals traytur Pole was apechyd by all the holl comyns of Ingelond, the whiche nombre passyd a quest of xxiiijm., and myght not be suffryd to dye as y^e law wolde, but rather the sayd trayturs of the affinite of Pole that was as fals as Fortager a wolde that the kynge owre soverein lord shuld hold a batayll with in his owne realme to dystroy his pepyll and aftarward hym selffe.

Item, they say that whom yo kyng woll shall be traytur and whom he woll shall be non, and that apperyth hederto, for yf eny of the traytours about hym wolde malygne ageynst eny person, hyghe or low, they wolde fynd fals menys that he shuld dy a traytor for to have his londes and his goods, but they wyll sufer the kynge nethar to pay his dettes with all, ner pay for his vytaylls ner be the rychar of one peny.

Item, the law servyth of nowght ellys in thes days but for to do wrong, for nothyng is sped almost but false maters by coulour of the law for mede, drede, and favor, and so no remedy is had in ye

cowrt of conscience in eny wyse.

Item, we sey owr sovereyn lord may understond that his fals cowncell hath lost his law, his marchandyse is lost, his comon people is dystroyed, the see is lost, Fraunce is lost, the kynge hym selffe is so set that he may not pay for his mete nor drynke, and he owythe more then evar eny Kynge of Yngland owght, for dayly his traytours abowt hym wher eny thyng shuld come to hym by his lawes, anon they aske it from hym.

Item, they aske jentylmens goodys and londes in Kent and call them rysers and traytors and the kynges enimys, but they shall be fond the kynges trew legemen and best frendys with the helpe of Jesu, to whom we cry day and nyght with many M. mo that God of his grace and rytwysnese shall take vengawnce and dystroy the fals govournors of his realme that hath brought us to nowght and in to myche sorowe and mysery.

Item, we will that all men knowe we blame not all the lordys, no all tho that is about you kyngs person, no all jentyllmen no yowmen, no all men of lawe, no all bysshopes, no all prestys, but all suche as may be founde gylty by just and trew enquery and by the law.

Item, we wyll that it be knone we wyll not robbe, ne reve, ne stelle, but that thes defautes be amendyd, and then we wyll go home; where fore we exort all the kyngys trew legemen to helpe us, to support us, for what so evar he be that wyll not that thes

defawtes be amendyd, he is falser than a Jewe or Sarasyn, and we shall with as good wyll lyve and dye upon hym as apon a Jewe or a Sarasyn, for who is a genst us in this casse hym wyll we marke, for he is not the trewe kyngys legeman.

Item, his trewe comyns desyre that he wyll avoyd from hym all the fals progeny and affynyte of the Dewke of Suffolke, the which ben openly knowne, and that they be p[u]nyshyd afftar law of lond, and to take about his noble person his trew blode of his ryall realme, that is to say, the hyghe and myghty prynce the Duke of Yorke, exilyd from owre sovereyne lords person by the noysyng of the fals traytore the Duke of Suffolke and his affinite. Also to take about his person the myghte prynce, the Duke of Exceter, the Duke of Bokyngham, the Duke of Norffolke, and his trewe erlys and barons of his lond, and he shall be the rychest kynge erystyn.

Item, the trewe comyns desyryth the punyshement upon the fals traytours, the which conterfetyd and imagenyd the dethe of the hyghe and myghtfull and excellent prynce the Duke of Glowcester, the which is to mych to reherse, the which duke was proclaymyd at Bery openly in the parlement a traytur, upon the whiche qwaryll we purposse us to lyve and dye that it is fals; allso owre fadyr the cardenall, the good Duke of Exeter, the nobyll prynce the Duke of Warwyke, the wiche ware delyveryd by the same menys untrew; allso the realme of Fraunce lost, the Duchy of Normandy, Gascon, and Gyan, and Anjoy demayn a lost by the same traytours, and owr trew lordys, knyghtes, and squyres, and many good yemen lost and wer sold or they went, the whiche is gret pyte and gret losse to our sovereyn Lord and to all the realme.

Item, they desyre that all the extorsiners myght be leyd downe, that is to say, ye grene wexe, the which is falsly used to the perpetwall hurt and distructyon of the trew comyns of Kent; also the extorsiners of the Kynges Benche, the which is ryght chargeable to all the comyns with owten provysyon of owr sovereyn lord and his trew cowncell.

Item, takynge of whet and other greyns, beffe, motton and other vytayll, the which is inportable hurt to the comyns, with out provysyon of owr sovereyn lord and his trew councell, for his comyns may no lengar bere it.

Item, the statute upon the laborers and the gret extorsiners of

Kent, that is to sey, Slegge, Crowmer, Isle, and Robert Est.

Item, where we meve and desyre that same a trew justyce wyth certeyn trew lords and knyghts may be sent in to Kent for to enqwere of all such traytors and brybors, and that the justice may do upon them trew jugement, what some evar they be; and that owr soverayn lorde dyrecte his lettars patentes to all the pepull ther universall opynly to be rede and cryed, that it is owre sovereyn lordys wyll and preyar of all his peple trewly to enquere of every mans govarnawnce and of defawtes that reygneth, nother for love, favor, dred ne hate, and that dewe jugement shalbe forthe with and ther upon. The kynge to kepe in his owne handes theyr londes and goodys, and not give them aweye to no man but kepe them for his rychesse, or ells owre soverayn lorde to make his emarme b in to Fraunce, or ells to pay his dettes; by this owr wrytynge ye may conceyve and se whethar we be the fryndes ethar enimys.

Item, to syt upon this enqwerye we refuse no juge except iij

chefe juges, the which ben fals to beleve.

Item, they that be gylte wyll wrye ageynst this, but God wyll brynge them downe, and that they shall be ashamyd to speke ageynst reson, but they wyll go to the kynge and say that yf they be taken fro hym that we wyll put hym downe, for the traytours wyll lyve lenger, and yf we were disposed ageynst owr sovereyn lorde, as God it forbyd, what myght then the traytowrs helpe hym?

Item, thes defawtes thus dewly remedyd, and from hens forthe no man upon peyne of deth beyng abowt the kyngs person shall take no maner of brybe for eny byll of petysyons or caws spedynge or lettynge, owr sovereyn lord shall regne and rewle with gret worshipe, and have love of God and of his people, for he shall have

a "same." So in MS. for "some."

so gret love of his people that he shall with Gods helpe conquere where he wyll; and as for us, we shall be all weye redy to defend owr cuntre from all nacious with our owne goods, and to go withe owr sovereyne lorde where he wyll commaunde us, as his trew legemen.

FINIS.

Here followythe a dyrge made by the comons of Kent in the tyme of ther rysynge, when Jake Cade was theyr cappitayn.^a

In the moneth of May whan gres growes grene, Fragrans in there floures with a swet savor, Jake Napis in the see a maryner for to bene, With his clogge and his cheyne to sell more tresowr. Suche a thynge prykkyd hym, he axid a confessour. Nycolas of the Towre be seyd I am redy here to se; He was holde so hard, he passyd the same houre. For Jake Napes sowle placebo and dirige.

Who shall execute y^e fest of solempnite? Bysshoppis and lords as gret reson is, Monkes, chanons, and prestis, with all y^e clergy, Prayeth for hym that he may com to blys, And that nevar such anothar come aftar this. His interfectures blessid mot they be, And graunt them to reygne with aungellis, For Jake Napys sowle placebo and dirige.

^a Another version of this satirical dirge has been printed by Ritson in his Ancient Songs and Ballads (p. 101, Hazlitt's edition), and by Wright in his Political Poems (ii. 232), from the contemporary Cottonian MS. Vespasian, B. xvi. f. I. But it consists only of nine stanzas, of which the first seven agree pretty nearly with the first seven in this transcript.

b Nicholas, of the Tower, was the name of the ship by which the Duke of Suffolk's vessel was stopped upon the sea.

[°] The Cott, version reads; "that he ne passede that hour."

Placebo, begynneth the Bishop of Hereforthe.^a
Dilexi, quod y^e Bisshop of Chester,^b for my avaunse.

Hew michi, seyd Salysbery,^c this game gothe ferforthe.

Ad Dominum cum tribularer, seyth y^e Abbot of Glocester.^d
Dominus custodit, thus seyth y^e Bisshoppe of Rowchestre.^e
Levavi oculos meos, seyth Frere Stanbery.^f
Si iniquitates, seyth y^e Bysshope of Worcestre.^g
For Jake Napis sowle de profundis clamavi.

Opera manium truarum, seyth ye cardinall wysely, Hath wronge confitebor for all Jake Napis wisdome. Audivi vocem, seyd Jhesus on hye.

Magnificat anima mea Dominum.

Now to this dyryge most we nedys come.

This joyfull tyme to sey brevely, ix spalmes ix lessons to sey all and sum.

For Jake Napys sowlle placebo and dirige.

Executor of this office dirge for to synge, Shall begynne ye Bisshope of Seynt As.k Varba mea auribus, seythe the Abbot of Redynge, For all our hope and joy is come to allas. Convertere Domine, for us wantyth grace, Thow Abbot of Seynt Albonys full sorely synge ye. The Abbot of the Towre Hyll, with his fate face, Tremelyth and quakythe, for Domine ne in furore.

- ^a Richard Beauchamp, who was translated to Salisbury the same year.
- ^b The Bishop of Chester, *i. c.* of Coventry and Lichfield, at the time was William Booth.
- ^e William Ayscough, Bishop of Salisbury, who was murdered soon after Suffolk, 29 June, 1450. He was clerk of the Council to Henry VI.
- d Reginald Butler, or Boulers, who was made Bishop of Hereford, 23 Dec. 1450.
- e John Lowe.
- ^f John Stanbury, a Carmelite, Provost of Eton, who was nominated by the King to the Bishopric of Norwich in 1445, but set aside by the Pope.
 - g John Carpenter.

- h So in MS.
- John Kemp, Cardinal Archbishop of York.
- k Thomas, Bishop of St. Asaph, whose surname is not known.

Master Watyr Lyard^a schall sey ne quando.
The Abbes of Seynt Alborghe,^b Domine Deus mens, in te speravi.
Requiem eternam, God grawnt hem to,
To sey a patar nostar, the Bysshop of Seynt Davi,^c
For the sowles of thes wyse and wurthy,
Adam Molens,^d Suffolke, Sir Robert Ros,^c thes thre.
And specyally for Jake Napis sowlle that evar was sly,
For his sowle placebo and dirige.

Rys up, Lord Say, and rede Parce michi, Domine, Nichil enim sunt dies mei, that shalt thow singe. The Bysshope of Carlyll seyth credo cidere All fals traytors to come to evyll endynge, Dwelle thow shalt withe grete mornynge, Rede Tedet animam meam vite mee, Manus tue, Danyell, thow shalt synge. For Jake Napis sowle placebo and dirige.

Qui Lazarum resussistasti, Trevilyan i shall singe; Hungerford, manus tue fecerant me,
Uby me abscondam, for dred this day.
John Say synge Dominus regit me;
Nichyll michi deerit for owt that I can se.
Ad te Domine levavi, Master Somerset shall rede.
John Penycoke, Delycta juventutis mee,
Allas, whythar may I fle for dred?

- ^a He was Bishop of Norwich at this time, or else this is a namesake. A little later (1467) we find that a Walter Hert (undoubtedly the same name) was a Prebendary of St. Paul's.
 - 1 The Cott. MS, here reads "The Abbot of Westmynstre."
 - ° John Delabere.
 - d Adam Moleyns, Bishop of Chichester, who was murdered in January 1450.
 - * He was associated with Bishop Molevns in delivering up Maine to the French.
 - f Nicholas Close,
- # "Dwelle." Probably a transcriber's error for "Dudley." The Cott. MS, reads: "The Baron of Dudley, with grete mornynge."
 - h Thomas Daniel, one of the most unpopular of the King's councillors.
 - i John Trevilian, alluded to as "the Cornish Chough" in another political poem.

Dominus illuminacio help, for now is ned.
Seyth Maystar Wyll Say, I trow it wyll not be.
Credo videre, Sir Thomas Stanle take hede.
For Jake Napis sowle placebo and dirige.
In memoria eterna, seyth Mayster Thomas Kent.
Now schall owre treson be cornicled for evar.
Patar nostar, seyd Mayster Gerveyse, we be all shent,
For so fals a company in Englond was nevar.

The Abbot of Barmundsey, full of lechery,

Quantas habeo iniquitatys take for thy lesson.

Gabull of the Chancery begynyth Hew michi,

That is his preve bande and detent of treson.

Homo natus de muliere, seyth ye Master of Sent Laurence,

Repletur multis miseriis, and that shall he wayll,

Of Jake Napes sort that hath don gret offence,

And ever whill he lyvyd cheffe of his counceyll.

Ne recorderys, Stephen Shegge a shall synge.

Quis michi tribuat for wichecraft, seyth Stace,

Domine, non secundum actum meum, for then shall I hynge

For Jake Napys sowle placebo and dirige.

Expectans expectavi, seyth Sir Thomas Hoo.
Complaceat tibi, begynneth John Hampton.
Beatus qui intelligit and dredit also,
Seyth John Fortescw, all this fals treson.
Sana Domine owre wittes with reson,
The Lorde Sudeley devoutly prayth.
Quem admodum desiderat, ye Lord Stowrton,
Sitirit anima mea, for hym lyeth.
The Lord Ryvers all onely seythe
Requiem eternam, God grawnt us to se.
A pater nostar ther must be in feyth,
For Jake Napis sowle placebo and dirige.

a So in MS., but qu. Slegge? See p. 98.

STOWE'S MEMORANDA.

Spiritus meus attenuabytur, Blakney shall begyn. Pecantem me cotidie, seyth Myners.

Pelle me cousumptus carnibus a to the nynne,
Robart Horne, alderman, that shall be thy vers.

Requiem eternam for the respons.

Phylip Malpas be thow redy to synge,
It wexyth derke, thow nedyst a scons,
Com forth, Jude, b for thow shalt in brynge.

Quare de vulva eduxisti?
Ser Thomas Tudnam, that rede ye.
Abbot of Westmystar, com stond by
In thy myter and cope, and sey libera me.

Arys up, Thorp and Cantelowe, and stond ye togeder,
And synge Dies illa, dies ire.
Pulford and Hanley, that drownyd ye Duke of Glocestar,c
As two traytors shall synge ordentes anime.d
And all trew comyns ther to be bolde
To sey Requiescant in pace.
For all the fals traytors that Engelond hath sold,
And for Jake Napis sowlle placebo and dirige.—Finis.
Amen. Writn owt of David Noreyn his booke by John Stowe.

[&]quot; Pelli meæ consumptis earnibus adhæsit os."—Job xix. 20.

b Probably John Judde, an officer of the ordnance to Henry VI. See Stevenson's Wars of the English in France, ii. 512.

This is a most extraordinary statement, as the Duke of Gloucester, whether murdered or not, certainly died in his bed.

^{1 &}quot;Orde'tes a'i'e," MS.; qu "ardentes"? I can find no corresponding psalm or antiphon.

The Cristenynge of Prince Arthure, sonne to Kynge Henrie ye VII. at Sent Swithins in Winchestar.

Fyrst my Lady Cecily a bare my lord prince to churche; my Lord Marques and my Lorde of Lyncoln ledde my Lady Cecily; my Lady Marques, and afftar Cheyne as chamberlyn, bare the trayne of ye mantyll; my Lady Anne ye quens sister bare ye crysom. The hole chapell met with my lord prynce in ye quens great chamber. My Lord Laware, my Lord Widvell, my Lord John of Arondell, and Mastar Awdley bare ye clothe of astate. The torches unlight met hym at the steyre foote of ye qwenes great chamber, and so went by fore hym unlyght to the chirche. Many ladyes and gentylwomen folowyd hym. Knyston, Geddyng, gentilmen usshers, and Piers Wratton and John Amyas, yomen usshers, had ye rewle of ye conveyaunce of the torches. The sergeaunt of the pantry was redy with a ryche salt, and my Lord of Essyx bare ye same salte by fore my lorde prince to the churche. The sergaint of the ewrey was redy with a payre of coverd basons and a fayre towell lyeng ther upon, and my Lord Straunge bare them to the churche. Syr Rychard Gyldford, Knyght Constable, and Mastar Troblefylde, had the kepynge of the churche dores with his meyne. Fowre gentylmen and yowmen of the crowne had the kepynge of ye barryers a bowt the fonte, for ye comynge in of the preas. Ser Davy Owen, Master Poynes and iij other knyghts and gentylmen, had ye kepynge and charge of the funte. Two gentylmen usshers had ye kepynge of ye travers by the fonte where my lord prynce was dysaparilyd, and aftar his cristynynge arrayed, and ther fyar

^a Cecily, daughter of Edward IV.

^b Marquis of Dorset.

Sir Edward Woodville, called Lord Woodville by courtesy, who was slain at the battle of St. Aubin, in Britanny, in 1488.

and fumygacions and many royall thyngs don. My Lord Marques, my Lord of Lyncolne, and my Lord Strawnge, served Qwene Elisabethe a at wayshyng aftar ye eristinynge, and Mastar Weste, my Lorde Laware is brother, and Syr Roger Cotton, servyd the remnaunt of the gossoppes. My Lord Nevvll bare ye taper byfore my lord prynce aftar the cristinginge to the hygh awllter. Aftar all ye observances was given spicis and wyne to the states. My lord prynce was had frome the hyghe aultar to Sent Swithins shrine and there ofyryd, and ther was songen Te Deum Laudamus. All the torches light brought my lord prince to his chamber. All the harolds went before bothe to the churche and home agayne. And the trompitis blewe afftar his cristenynge byfore hym home to his chamber. Ser William Stonnar, Ser Charles Somerset, and Sir John Wyngfeld bare thes gyfftes that ye gosyppis gave to his chamber byfore hym. The gyfftes were thes: Qwene Elisabeth gave a cuppe of gold set with stones, my Lorde of Derby a salte of gowlde, my Lorde of Oxenford a payre of basons with a cuppe of assay all gylt, my Lorde Matrevys a cofer of gold set with stones. All the great body of Seynt Swethyns churche to the hygh aultar was hangyd with arras. Ther was made an hyghe stoke for a fonte with greeis round abought, and the fonte was of sylvar brought from Cawnterbery and a royal canapie over ye same. The gossyppes ben thes: Quene Elizabethe, godmothar, my Lord of Derby and my Lorde Matravers at ye fonte, and my Lord of Oxenforde at ye confirmacion. My Lord of Worcestar cristenyd hym, and his name is Arthure, doughtles a fayre prince and a lorge of bones; owre Lord save hym! Ther was present v mytars, that is to say: my Lord Sarum, my Lord of Excestre, my Lord of Worcestre, ye abot of Hyde, and ye pryowr of Seynt Swythynes.

^a Not the queen of Henry VII., but her mother, the widow of Edward IV., who was godmother to the child.

The maner of makynge Knyghtes aftar y^e custome of England in tyme of peace, and at the coronacion, that is to say, Knyghtes of the Bathe.

When an esquier commythe in to courte for to receive ye order of knyghthode in tyme of peace, after ye custome of England, he shalbe worshipfully receyvyd of ye offyeers of the courte, as of ye stywarde or chamberleyn, yf they be present, and ellys of ye marshall and usshers, in ye absence of ye stwwarde and chamberlyne. then ther shalbe ordeyned ij worshipffull esquyers, wise and well noryshid in curtesye, and experte in ye dedes of knyghthode, and they shalbe govowrnowrs to hym to serve and ordeyn what shall longe to hym for the tyme. And in case that the esquire come before dyner he shall serve the kynge of watar, or of a dyshe onely of the fyrst course. And that is do to take leve of service of Then his govornowrs shall lede hym in to his chamber with owten eny more to be sene that daye; and at even the governowrs shall sende aftar the barbowr, and he shall make redy a bathe in the best wyse that he kan, the fatt with in and with owt wrapped with lynnyn clothe elene and white, and coveryd with thikke carpites for colde of the nyght. Then shall the esquers berd be shave and his hede rounded; which done ye govornowrs shall goo unto ye kynge and to hym say thus: "Moaste myghtye prynce, owr soverayne lorde, lo it wexithe nere unto the eve, and owr maystor is redy unto the bathe when it pleasythe your royall majestye." And uppon that the kynge shall commaund his chamberleyne to go unto the esquiers chamber that is to be made knyght, and to take with hym the moste worthy and wityeste knyghtes that bene then present to thentent that they shall the same esquier trewly councell, enforme, and teache wysely of ye order of knyghthode. And so with that other yonge esquiers of the howsholde with mynstrells syngynge and daunsyng shall go be fore the chamberleyn and ye sayd knyghtes

unto the tyme that they come unto the chambre dore of ye said esquier that is to be made knyght. When the govornowrs herythe noyse of mynstrills, anon they shall make naked theyr master, and all nakyd shalbe put in to the bathe. The mynstrells be fore the entrie of the chamberleyne and other noble knyghtes shall abyde and be styll with owtyn noyse, to gyder with the sayde esquires levynge theyr noyse for the tyme; which thynge done the chamberlyne with ye sayd noble knyghtes shall enter privelye with owten noyse in to the chamber of the seyd esquire; and when they enter everyche to othar shall than do reverence and worshype whiche of them shalbe the fyrst for to counsell ye esquier in the bathe of ye order and ye makynge to performe ye kyngs commaundement. And whan they bene accorded than shall ye fyrst goo in to the bathe, and there he shall knele be fore ye bathe, saying secretely to ye esquier thus: "Ryght dere broder, great worshype be this order unto yow. Allmyghty God gyve yow ye preysynge of knyghthod, lo this that order be ye stronge," &c. a Whan the esquire is councellyd the same knyght counselour shall take in his hond watar of ye bathe, and shall put it uppon ye shulders of ye esquiers and take his leve to go and departe. And the governowrs at all tymes shall keppe ye sydes of ve bathe. In this wyse shall all the orders of knyghtes aforesaye do everiche aftar othar in the best wyse that they ean, and this done the knyghtes with owt noyse shall go owte of the chamber for the tyme; then shall theyr govornors take their maister owt of the bathe and laye hym saftlie in his bed to drie. And ye bede shall not be of great valewe, but with owtyn cowlowrs and curtyns. And when ye esquier is well dryed he shall ryse owt of his bed, and shall clothe hym warme for the wache of the nyght. And uppor all his clothes he shall have a cope of blakke russet with longe sleves, and the hode sewyd unto ye coppe in maner of an heremyte. The esquier thus arrayed and made redye, ye barbar shall put awaye ye bathe; and all thynge that is about ye bathe, also well with owt as with in, the barbowr shall take all for his fee. And

^a See note at the end of this article, p. 113.

all so he shall have for his shavynge lyke as it foloythe here afftar. That is to wete, yf he be a duke, an erle, a baronne, or a bachelowr, aftar ye custome of ye courte everiche shall have aftar his estate, and principally yf judgement be required it shalbe then at ye will of ye kyngs majestie. Aftar this ye govornors shall open the dore of ye chamber, and ye knyghtis shall entar in agayne with mynsteryles playnge in ther instrumentes and esquiers before them syngynge and daunsynge shall lede the esquier in to the chapell. Ther shalbe ordenyd spicis and wyne for ye knyghtes and esquiers; whiche thyng done, the governours shall lede thies knyghtes aforne thes squeres a for to take there leve, and he with silence shall thanke them of their labours and worshypes that they have done unto hym. In that wyse they shall goo owt of ye chapell, the governours shall shitte the dore till ye dawnynge wex clere and ye daye come, and ther shall abyde none in ye chapell but ye esquier, governours, and ye wayte his chaplyne chaundeler. In this wyse shall ye esquier all nyght tyll it be day abyde ever in his prayers, praynge and besechyng Almyghty God and ye blesyd Virgyn Marie his moder that thylke passynge temporall dignyte he may receve to his worshipe and praysynge of God and ye blessyd Virgyn Marie his moder, holy churche and the order of knyghthode. And when ye dawnynge comythe he shall have a prest and be confessyd if it will lyke hym of his synns and trespas; whiche thynge done he shall have his mattyns and masse and be comynt yf he will. Aftar his entre in to ye chapell he shall evar more have a serge or a tapir of wax brenynge afore hyme. And when masse is begonnen, on of ye governours shall holde a taper brenynge afore hym unto the tyme of ye gospell be begonne, and then he shall be take it unto his maister whiche shalle holde it in his hands tyll ye gospell be endyd, allwaye his hede beynge coveryd; and at ye end of ye gospell the governowr shall reserve the taper agayne and putt it afore his maister unto thend of the masse. And at ye levacion of the sacrament one of ye govornowrs shall put of the hode of his maister, and aff[t]ar

a Should be "the squire."

ye syght of ye sacrament he shall do it on agayne tyll In principio be begunne; and then one of his governours shall put of his hode and make hym stonde and holde ye sayd taper in his honde, havynge in ye sayde taper stikynge a peny nye to the light; and when ye priste saythe Verbum caro factum est he shall knele downe and offer ye taper and ye peny to ye worshipe of God, and ye peny to ye worshipe of hym that shall make hym knyght. Thes thynges done, ye govowrnors shall lede hym agayne in to his chamber and lay hym agayne in his bede till it be forthe dayes. And ther shall he take ye rest that ye wache of ye nyght made wery. So than ye bedde shall be amendyd and refresshed before ye tyme that his mastar wake, that is to wete with covertwr of clothe of golde callyd seclecon; a and that shall be lynyd with carde. And when they se tyme thay shall goo to ye kynge and saye to hyme thus: "Most victoriws prince, when that it lykythe unto yowre mayestie, owr maister shall a wake." And ther uppon ye kynge shall commaund ye knyghties squere to wake hym, arraye hym and clothe hym and brynge hym in to ve hall before ye kynge hym selffe. But before ye comynge of ye knyghts in to ye esquiers chambre ye govowrnors shall ordeigne all manar necessaries redie by ordre for to be delyvered unto ye knyghtes. And whan thes knyghtes be commen unto they chambre they shall enter softlye with owt eny noyse and say to ye esquier, "Ser, good daye, it is tyme to aryse." And with that ye govornowrs shall take and arayse hym uppe by ye armes. Than ye moaste worthy and moste wyse knyght shall take to hym his sherte, and other next worthye his breehe, ye third his dowblett, ye fowrthe shall clothe hym with a gowne of redd tarteryn; othar ij shall lyfte hym owt of his bedd; other ij shall doo on his hossyn, whiche shall be of blake sylke or blake clothe, wher of ye sowlls shall be of blake lethar sowyd to them; ij shall boten his sleves; one othar shall girde hym with a gyrdle of white ledar with owt hernys of env mettall and ye brede of an ynche; an othar shall kembe his hedd; an othar shall give hym his mantylle, of ye sewite of ye kvrtyll of rede

^a Spelled Siglyton here in the Cottonian original, and afterwards Siglaton.

tarteryn fastenyd with a lace of white silke, with a payre of whit gloves hangynge at ye ende of ye lace, but he shall have of the chaundeler of ye howsholde ye corse girdill and ye gloves, and on yt otharsyde ye chaundelar shall take for his fee all ye garments and all ye arraye with all ye necessaries in ye which ye esquyre was arrayd and clothid that day he enteryd into ye courte for to take ye ordre, togedre with ye bedd in ye whiche he laye first aftar ye bathe, as well ye clothe of golde called secleton as ye other necessaries towchynge ye sayd bedd; and, this fully done, this wyse knyghts shall lede this esquiere on horse bake unto ye kyngs hall, at all tymes ye mynstrells beynge before, makynge theyre mynstrellsye. Ther horse shall be arrayed in this wyse; he shall have a sadell coveryd with blake leder, ye arsons of whit tree fowre square, and blake stiroppes with gylde irons, and his sadell shall have no cropar but a paytryll of gilt patee before, hangynge uppon ye brest of ye horse, his bridle shall be blake lethar playne, with longe reynes in ye guyse of Spayne, and a crosse patent in ye forhede. And ther shall be ordaynyd a yonge gentyll esquier for to ride before this esquiere that is to be made knyght. And he shall be open hede, and shall bere ye swere of ye esquire ye poynt downwarde, with sporrs hangynge uppoon ye swerd, and ye swerd shall have a white scabard and frett with ye gerdle and scales, with whit ledar, with owt eny hernesse, and ye yonge gentill esquiere shall holde ye swerde by the poynt. In this wyse they shall ride to ye kyngs hall, all tymes ye sayd governers beynge redye to ye maystar as it is fittinge to be. And the forsayd noble and wyse knyghtes shall soberlye lede this esquire as they awen. And when ye esquier commythe before ye hall dore, ye marshalls and usshers shall be redye afore hym in ye moste honest wise that they can, saynge thus, "Come downe." And than he shall come downe. The marshall for his fee shall take ye hors, or ccs. This thyng so done, these wise knyghts shall lede ye esquier in to ye hall or in to ye great chambre unto his table, and forthe with he shall be put at the begynynge of ye second table tyll that ye kynge come, the sayd knyghtes

abought his person as one on every syde, and ye yonge squiere swerd berar before hym, standynge with ye swerde betwixt ye ij govournowrs aforesayd. When ye kynge comythe in to ye hall and perseyvythe ye esquer redy to take ye ordre in dwe wyse he askythe for ye swerde and ye spurs. Ye kynges chamberleyne shall take ye swerde and ye spurrs owt of ye handes of ye yonge squiere, and shall take and shewe hym unto ye kynge. The kynge shall receyve ye ryght spure and betake it unto one of ye most worthy that standyth abowte, commaundynge hym that he put it on ye ryght hele of ye esquier, and by ye kyngs commaundement that lorde knelvnge on ye one kne shall take ye esquier by ye ryght legg and putte ye foote uppon his kne, and shall putte ye spurr apon his helle, and he shall make a crosse uppon ye kne of ye esquer and shall kysse it. Then shall an other lorde putt uppon that other hele an other spurr on ye same wysse that ye othar dyd; then ye kynge of ye mekenesse of his hieghe myght takynge ye swerde in his hands shall ther with girde ve squier. Than shall ye esquier lyft upp his armys on hieghe, and ye kynge shall putte his armys aboute ye neke of ye esquier, and lyftynge upp his right hand he shall smyte ye esquier in ye nekke saynge thus, "Be ye a good knyght," kyssynge hym. these noble and wyse knyghtes afore seyde this newe knyght shall lede in to ye chapell as it is to fore wnto ye hyghe awtar, and ther he shall unknyte hym and his swerde with prayers and devocions shall offer to God and to Holy Churche moste devowtly, beschynge God that thilke ordre moste worthy dewlie he may kepe unto his ende. Thes thyngs so done he shall take a sope in wyne. And in ye goynge owte of ye chapell ye master coke shall be redy to do of his spwrrs, and shall take them to hym for his fee; and ye reson is this, that in casse that ye knyght do afftar eny thynge that be defame or reproffe unto ye ordre of knyghthode, the master coke then with a gret knyfe, with whiche he dressethe his messes, shall smyt of his spurrs frome his heles; and therfore in remembraunce of this thynge ye spurrs of a new knyght in ordre takynge shall be fee unto ye mastar coke perteynynge dwely unto his office. Than shall this

wyse knyghtes afore sayde lede this newe knyght in to ye hall agayne, the whiche beginynge ye table of knyghtes shall syt to mete; and ye sayd noble and wyse knyghts shall sett abowte hym at ye table, and ye noble knyghts shall be servyd lyke as other bene; and as for that tyme he shall not ete nor drynke at ye table but yf grete nede be, nor he shall not meve hym, nor loke hidre or thedar more than a wyfe newe weddyd; and evarmore one of his ij govornowrs shall stand by hym with a kerchyffe, of ye whiche, yf eny nede come, he may serve hym. And whan ye kynge arrysythe from ye table and goythe in to ye chamber ye knyght shall be ledd unto his chambre with greate multytwde of knyghtes, squires, and mynstrells yonge syngynge and dawnsynge in to ye entre of his chambre. And there ye knyghtes, esquiers, and mynstrills shall take there leve, and ye newe knyght shall go to eate, the dore shall be closyd, and he shall do of his arraye, whiche shall be given to ye kyngs of armes; and also ye sayd kynges and haurawds shall have thoffice of armes of every duke, erle, baron, and bachiler aftar thayr estates, and at ye leste xx^s for theyr honors to shew them in ye kyngs presence and in ye sayd cowrte, ye graye cope shall be unto ye wayte or a noble for it. And after this mete this noble new knyght anon shall be arayed with a robe of blewe with streyght sleves, and he shall have uppon ye lefte shwldar a whit lace of sylke hangynge, and that lace he shall kepe in ys wyse above his clothynge with owt forthe frome that daye hensforthe contynewally unto that tyme he gete sum maner of worshype by deservynge by wytnes of worthye knyghtes and squers of armes and herawdes dewlye afftarward reported; whiche reporte mouste enter in to ye earys of ye worthy prince whiche hathe made hym knyght, or of some odar, or ellys of some noble lady, for to take awaye ye lace frome ye shulder, sayenge thus: "Ryght dere lorde, I have herde so moche of your worshyppe and renowne that ye have done in dyvers partes unto ye grete worshype of knyghthode to yowr selffe and to hym that made yow knyght, that deserfe and ryght wyll that this lace be put and take awaye." But aftar dynar ye worshipfull and worthy knyghts and

esquiers shall come afore ye sayd newe knyght, and hym shall lede to ye kyngs presence, all tymes bevnge before hym ye sayd esquirs, govornors. And when you new knyght compthe in to you presence of ve kynge he shall knele before ve kynge and shall say thus: "Moste drede and moste myghty prynce, of my lytyll powre of that that I may I thanke yow of all yo worshypes, curtesies, godenesse, whiche ye have done unto me;" and this sayde he shall take leve of ye kynge. And uppon that ye govowrnowrs shall goo and take theyr leve of thayre maysters, saynge thus: "Worshypfull Sir, by ye kyngs commaundement we have servyd yow, and that commaundement fulfyllyd and parfwrmyd to owr powr, and what we have done in your service agene your reverence we praye you of your grace for to pardon us of owr neglygence. Fortharmore of ye custome of ye kyngs cowrt we aske and requere yow of robes and fees to the terme of owr lyffe covenable to ye kyngs esquiers, felowes to ye knyghtes of other lands," &c.

Explicit.

[Note.—This article seems to have been transcribed by Stowe from the Cottonian MS. Nero C. ix. 168b., from which it has already been printed by Anstis in his Observations Introductory, Coll. No. 88, and by Nicolas in his History of the Order of the Bath, pp. 12-26. It is on the whole a very accurate transcript. The speech addressed to the esquire at p. 107 is, however, abbreviated, the passage standing in the original as follows:—

seyenge secretly to the squyer thus:—"Right dere brother, grete worshipe be this ordre un to yow: and Almyghty God geve yow the praysynge of all knyghthod. Lo, this is the ordre. Be ye stronge in the feith of Holy Cherche, and wydows and maydones oppressed releve as right commandith. Yeve ye to everych his owne with all thy mynde above all thynge. Love and drede God. And above all other erthly thinges love the Kynge thy soverayn lord, hym and his defende unto thy powere. And be fore all worldly thynges putte hym in worshipp and thynges that be not to be taken beware to begynne." In this wyse or better, &c. And when the knyght is thus counselled (xc. as above, Stowe having corrected the word "knyght" here into "esquire.")]

A memorial of the Kyngs highnes wholl chardges susteyned at Bolloigne from the xxvij of Septembar, Anno xxxvj, to the ix of Octobar, Anno xxxvij.

The wages of tholle garison ther:

payde, lxxM.lxvjli. iijs. uppayde, $xxviijM.vijc.liij^{xx}vjli$. $iij^{xx}xviijM.vijc.liij^{xx}vjli$. ijs.

The wages of artificers and laborars about ye fortifications:

payd, xvijm.iijc.iiij^{xx}viij*li*. vs. vjd. ob. | xxm.viijc.lxxvj*li*.

wnpayd, iijm.iijc.iiij^{xx}vij*li*. xixs. jd. ob. | iiijs. viijd.

The wages of thofficers and ministars of ye victualls:

payd, M.vjc.li. | MM.vjc.li. |

Wasste and losse in the victualls, xjm.c.iiijxxxvjli. xijs. vd. ob.

Forayne and necessarie payments over and besyds the provysyons made and payd for in England vjc.iiij^{xx}xiiij*li.* xijs.

Out of the Kyngs Coffars, $iiij^{vx}iijM.ccc.viijli.ijs$.

In the price of victualls, vijM.iiij^{xx}xiiij*li*. xvjs. viij*d*.

For fryssys and matreses, C.xxxvli. viijs. ob.

Yet dewe for victable, vm.iiijc.viijli. xs. xd.

In the hands of th'executors of S. John Jenyngs, vc xxli.

Sum of tholle chardges aforsayd, C.xxxiiijm.liijli. xjs. jd. ob.

The charges of the fortifycacions within ye highe towne of bosse a towne and the Yonge Man, xm.viijc.xxxijli. vjs. vd. ob.

The charges of the fortyfications of tholde man, b vijm.vjc.lvli. xixs. jd.

Md. Ther is dewe unto the garreson and werkemen of the fortifycations xxijm.vijc.vli. iiijd. ob.

Item. Ther remaynethe in victualls unspent the laste of Septembar, over and besyds xijm.viijc.li. vijs. vjd. ob. Reyceyvyd and to be receyvyd for victualls, MM.CCC.li.

[&]quot; "Of Bosse," qu. " and Basse," i. r. Hante and Basse Boulogue?

^b The Old and Young Man were two fortresses at Boulogne,

Anno Domne 1561, y yere begynyng at New Yers daye.

The xxiiij daye February, which was Saynt Matheus daye, at vj aclocke at nyght, was sene at London as gret a flashe of lyghtnynge as lightly hath ben sene at any tyme, and a gret clape of thunder wher with fell a gret shure of haylle and rayne which sodenly turned to a gret snow, and all this was in on quarter of an owre. For y^c space of an owre after y^c ellemente semed westward as rede as fyre. It is to be notid that all this whylle y^c wynde was very bytter colde.

Anno Domini 1561.

The x daye of Apryll was one Wyllyam Jefferey, an heretyke, whyppyd at a carts arsse from the Marshallse in Sothewarke to Bethelem with out Byshoppys gatte of London, for that he belevyd one John More to be Crist, the Savyour of ye worlde. He was very sore whypyte, and on his hed wer pynyd papars, and also abowt the cart wer hangyd the lyke papers, wher in was wrytyn as followythe: "Wyllyam Gefferey, a moste blasfemous herytyke, denyenge Cryst our Savyowr in heven." And when he the sayd Wyllyam Geferey was brought to Bethlem gate there the Marshalls sarvaunts cawsyd the cart to staye and John More to be browght out of Bethlem, whiche John More dyd professe hym selffe to be Cryst the Savyowr of the worlde. And afftar examynacion and his aunswers, whiche wer very doubtfull, he wase lykewysse strypte and tyed at the earts ars and whypte a byrdbolt shute be yonde Bethlem and so bake a gayn, and sent into Bethelem prisoner ageyne. And Wylyam Geferay was sent agayn to the Marshallse. They had bene in the presons before namyd ny a yere and a halff before this tyme, the one for affyrmynge hym selfl' to be Crist, the othar affyrmynge hym selffe to be Seynt Petar the Apostyll of Crist.

The descrypcon of Troionovaunt.

Anno 1561, ye 4 day of June, between 4 and 5 of ye cloke [in] ye afftar nonne, beynge Wedynsday and Corpus Cristi eve, ye stepull of Powlles was fyeryd by lyghtnynge, ye whiche lytenynge dyd take ye stepulle, as it dyd seme to ye beholders, ye space of ij or iij yardes benethe ye crosse and so byrnt round abought in ye same place that ye toppe felle of with ye crosse wnperyshed (or wn byrnt) and ye crosse fell southe, and so the sphere byrnt downe ward lyke as a candil consumyng, to ye stone werke and ye bells, and so to ye rouffe of ye churche, and thorow ye rouffes of ye churche all fowre ways, east, west, northe, and sowthe. With in ye qwiers or chawnsylls was brynt no thyng but only ye communion table, and in ye rest of ye churche was brynt nothing but a sartayn tymber werke whiche stode at ye northe-west pyllar of ye stepull, which was fyeryd with ye tymber that fell in to ye churche owt of ye steple; whiche was a lamentable syghte and pytyfull remembraunce to all people that have ye feare of God before theyr eyes, consyderynge it was ye hous of owre Lord, erectyd to prays hym and pray to hym, ye beawty of ye syte of London, ye beawty of ye holle Reallme. A mynster of suche worthy, stronge, and costly buldynge, so large, so pleasant and delectable, it passyd all comparyson, not only of mynstyrs within thys realme but ells where as sure as travayll hathe taught ws in other realmes ethar Cristyn or hethyn. fore feare we God that so sore hathe chatysyd us, and let ws well know that he whiche hathe not spayrd his owne hous wyll not spare owres, exsept we repent owr formor wykyd lyffe and serve hym in holynys and newcnys of lyffe, with a parffyt faythe in God and parffyt charytye to owr neyghbour, ye whyche our Lorde for his byttar passyon grawnt. Amen.

That same day at Gylford was brynte a carsy hangynge on ye tayntars, which carse dyd contayne lx yards, and it was conswmyd to powdar and ye tayntar not hurt; allso v mylle beyend Gylford

a woman was byrnt with ye same lyghtnynge. That day was many great harmes done by lyghtynyng in England, as at Shafftesebury the steple with parte of ye churche was brynt.

Anno 1561, the xxx and y° last day of June in y° afftarnoone a cart ladyn with have brought in to Sothewarke was set a fyre——a and clene brent, y° hey, y° carte, and y° tylle horse to dethe, whiche was a thyng to be notyd, or rathar to be wonderyd at, that in suche a place, at that tyme of y° day and in y° syght of so many beholdars, it shuld so be consumyd with owt helpe.

The confessyon of Master Rychard Allington esquere, the xxij of Novembre, 1561, abowte viij of y' clocke at nyght, before Master Doctour Caldewalle, Master Doctor Good, Master Garthe, Master Jones, and Ser John of y' Rolles, &ct.

Maisters, seinge that I must enedes die, whiche I assure you I nevar thought wolde have cum to passe by this dessease, consyderinge it is but ye smalle pockes, I woulde therfore moste hertely desyre yow in ye reverence of God and for Christes passions sake to suffer me to speake untyll I be dede, that I may dyscharge my consiens, accuse myn adversary the devyll, and yelde my selffe holie to Almightie God, my Savior and Redemer, upon whose justice vf I loke and behold I am condemnede eternally, but one ye other syde yf I loke apon his merci, then I trust he wyll shewe unto me as he will do to y" worst sorte of men, amonge whome I assure you I accompt my selffe to be one, for nevar man hathe had more especiall tokenes of Godes singuler grace at offten and sundery tymes shewyd unto hym then I have had, and so letyll regardyd them as I have done. And good masters, for Christs passions sake give good care unto me, and pray continewally for me upon your knes, for I will tell yow of strainge thyngs, whiche I assure yow by that faithe I beare to God I speake

^a Blank in MS.

not of vaine glorie or prayse of myselfe or any other cawse, but only thanke God for his greate marcys shewed dyverse and sondry wayes by me, and also to accuse my adversarie ve devyll. Yt is so when I was a childe I was brought up, thoughe I saye it, with a good father and mother whom ye knewe, who daylye used us children vertiouslie and kepte us for one hower or ij everie eveninge and mornige to prayers, and then when prayers wer don to owr bokes. Aftarwarde we wer wonte to go to playe into an orchard nere adjoynynge to my fathers howse, where as offtyn tymes for ye space of iij yeres there apperyd to me in a thicke hedge a goodlye comfortable vision, I do well remember, from ten yers olde unto thirtene. Ther apperid, I say, to me ye very Image of our Saviour Jesus Christ as he sufferyd his blisyd passion upon the erose; whiche Image apperyd to me very lyvely and that verie often so lovyngly and tenderly as evar any erthely man culde desyre and wishe, shewinge suche speciall tokens of his great marcie and goodnes to me as I thynke nevar mortall man coulde desyre or wyshe ye lyke, whiche I did evermore kepe verie secret to my selfe for my greate comforte and consolation. Goode maisters, for Christys passyons sake, geve good eare unto me and pray, styll pray, pray, pray. Then longe aftar I cam to London, and at laste I was maried, sythe whiche tyme I assure yow I have offended my Lorde God and Savyowr Christ so sore, many foldely comittinge of so abhominable userie, that I am a frayd I shalbe condempned eternally, and indede one greate occasion was because I nevar gave my selffe to prayer as I was wont to do, but spent my tyme to muche in wordlynes, for ye whiche my conscience did oftymes accuse me. I will tell yow more anon. I beseche yow pray, pray, pray. And thus my consciens storringe with in my selffe brought me to mervelous trobles of mynde, so that nevar man was in suche case as I was of a longe tyme. And beinge in this greate troble, at ye last ye selfe same vision appered to me agayne even sence this laste terme, and put me in remembraunce agayne even of Gods speciall grace before shewed to me, and allso of many other thyngs, willynge me to leve of ye worlde and ye

besynes therof, and not to troble my selfle to muche there withe, sythen whiche tyme I assure yow I have gone abowte to leave of all my trobles of ye law agayne, and so to have lyved more quietlie with that owr Lord had sent me. Nowe, good mastars, pray styll for me and I wyll shew yow verie straunge thyngs. The second nyght aftar I felle seeke, beinge in perfecte memorie lyenge in my bed brode a wake, and, as I thought, all my folkes beinge a slepe here in my chamber, ther apperid unto me suche strange thyngs and ferefull which greatly amased and put me in wonderfull feere. I can not tell what I shall tearme theme or call them, and as I doe remember they were lyke puppets, they came up and downe my chamber, and at laste, beinge marvelous sore afrayde, they came unto me rounde aboute my chamber, my bedde, and apon my bedd pulled and tossed me, stearde me, and tarde me, and so vexed me as I was never in all my lyffe so soore troubled and vexed, shewynge suche terrable and fearefull sytes, so that I was all most broughte to utter desperacyon, so farforthe that I coulde not tell what to doe; yet at the laste remembrynge with my sellfe and callynge to my remembraunce the goodlye graces that my Lorde and Savior Jesus Christe at dyverse and soundry tymes had shewed unto me, sayde unto my sellfe, "O good Lorde what do these thinges meane, what shall I doe?" With that ther appered unto me my vysion agayne, which shewed unto me in wrytinge all ye usery that ever I had receaved in all my lyffe so playnly that I redd yt, and in dede the sommes were true and named every man of whom I had resseyved yt, namvnge the persons and ye somes, as of one Mr. Wilkokes thus muche, of my L. Scrope thus muche, of Mr. Fynes thus muche, namynge every some, and he shewed me also what I had resseyved of Spanyardes, of Frenchmen, of Italyans, and suche lyke, which came to vjxli., shewinge so playnely I assure you every thinge that I much marveled at yt, and at the last I made answer unto my vision and saied, "O Lorde, all thes thinges are true in dede, what shall I do to yt?" Then my vision made answere and comforted me verye muche agayne, commaundynge me fyrste to

paye all ye userie money agayne to every man as he had shewed me ye somes, which came to xviijc.li. Then he badd me pay agayne the fyftie poundes which I gat for bienge of a house in Holbarne, and for ye vjxxli, which I hadd of straungers he wylled me, because that I know not wher they dwell, to give yt to ye poore prisoners and goode men that be in prison. And maisters, I can not tell of what relygyon you be that be heare, nor I care not, for I speake to tell you the truth and to accuse myne adversary the dewelles, and in dede I have given them some thinge all redy and wyll gyve them all ye rest, God willinge, and will paye all ye userye mony to every man as my vision commaunded me, and do intende, God willinge, tomorrow to send for them yff I lyfe so longe; yf not, I wyll desyre ye Master of ye Rolles, as my trust is in hym, that he will se it dischargid and payed out of hand that my soulle may beare no perill for yt. And masters, then my vysion comforted me more and more, and he sayd he would shew me ix psalmes, which yf I dede saye every daye I shuld never synne agayne mortallie, for I assure you I have not used my sellfe to prayer as I was wont to doe, nor never wente to ye churche at any tyme of comon prayer, byeaus I dyd condeme my conscyence for sufferinge me to commite suche abominable usery and other most detestable synnes agaynst my hevenly Father, who had so many folde wayes and sondry tymes shewed me such lovinge kyndnes and synguller graces. And ye psalmes were thes: 1. Meserere mei Deus. 2. Beati omnes qui temet a Dominum (128). 3. Ad Dominum cum tribuler. 4. Levavi oculos meos [in] montes. 5. Nisi quia Do. 6. Qui confidunt in Do. 7. Judica me Deus. 8. Illumina oculos meos. 9. Dominia non est exultatum cor meum.

Anso so my vision left me. Sith which tyme I assure you I have had as muche quyetnes as any man can wishe, and have sene soch comfortable syghtes as nether harte can thyncke nor tonge expresse, and this I had to shew you. Now, good Sur John, say ye vij psallmes, and Domine Jesu Cristy with gloriosa passyo he

a So in MS.

sayd hymsellfe, and then he thought he shuld have died, but then brothe beinge geven unto hym he revyved agayne and fell to prayer and gave hym sellfe wholly to quyetnes, &c. -

In the years of our Lord 1562, y' 8 day of Septembar, was a pryste (whose name was Ser — Havard) taken (by sertayn promotars and my Lorde of Elies " men) for sayienge of masse in Fettar lane at my Lady Cares b housse, whiche pryste was violently taken and led (as ten tymes wors then a traytur) therewe Holburne, Newgate markyt, and Chepsyd to the Cowntar at the stokes callyd the Pultrie, whithe all his ornaments on hym as he was ravist to mas, with his masse boke and his porttoys borne before hym, and ye chalice with the paxe and all other thyngs, as myche as myght make rewde poople to wondar apon hym. And the nomber of people was exsedynge great that followyd hym, mokynge, derydynge, eursynge, and wyshynge evyll to hym, as some to have hym set on ye pelory, some to have hym hangyd, som hangyd and qwarteryd, some to have hym byrnt, sum to have hym torne in pesys and all his favorars, with as myche violence as the devill collde invent, and myche more then I can wryte, but well was he or she that cowld get a plucke at hym or gyve hym a thumpe with theyr fyst or spyt in his face, and to scorne hym with sange, Ora pro nobis Sancta Maria because it was our Lady day of hir nativite (but not kept holy), and all so they sange Dominus vobiscum and suche lyke. My Lady Care, with my Lady Sakefylde, and Mistres Perpoynt, and Sherewood and his wysle war taken for beynge at ye same masse, and brought before ye Byshope of Elly, then lyenge in Holburn, and theyr housys sherchte, theyr bokes were all brought to ye Byshope of Elly, who afftar examynation of them and theyr bokes sent them to prison. My Lady Care, and my Lady Sakefelde, Mistres Perpoynt to y' Fleete, and the other iij to ye Cowntar, and with in iij days afftar the prist was sent to ye Marshalse in Sothewarke. And on the

^a Richard Cox, Bishop of Ely.

b I cannot find who this Lady Cary was; but as it is stated below that she was of the Queen's blood she was certainly related to Henry Cary, Lord Hunsdon.

second day of Octobre my Lady Care (beinge of ye Quens blode), Mistris Perpoynt, the prist, and Sherewode and his wyffe were all v parsons brought from ye prysons above namyd to the Sessions howsse at Newgate, and were ther arraynyd amongeste theves and mowrderars, and by xij men condemnyd as gilty. Ye prist for preparinge hym selffe to say masse, the Lady Carie and Hary Sherwode and his wyffe for beynge wyllynge to here and se masse (for this is to be notyd, ye prist did not say masse, but was redy ravist to masse and entered ther in, when he and they were taken). The prist had judgement gyven to hym prisoner in Newegatte xij monythis, my Lady Care and Mistres Perpoynt to ly prisoners in ye Flett iij monythes, and in the thre monythes to pay to the quenes use ethar of them one hunderithe marks, or ells ther bodyes to remayn prisoners to ye quenes plesure. And Henrie Sherwod and his wyffe, beynge a marchaunt taylor, wer adjudgyd syx monythes prisonment and to pay ethar of them an hundred marke, or ells there bodyes at ye quenes plesure.

In ye yere of owr Lord 1563 was suche scarsytie of victualls in London by the servyng Newhavne, that in ye Lent heryngis was sold for ij a penye when they was best cheape ethar whit or red, Essyxe chesse for vj d. ye li. baryll buttar for vij and viij d. ye li., a bad stockefyshe for vj d. or viij d., and so forthe of all othar victualls. On Estar evyne ye Parliament brake upe and gave to ye quene a subsedie, and that was of everie man beynge valewyd worth iij li. on goods, or lands, or otharwys, and so uppewarde, ij s. viij d. of ye li., besyds they gave her ij fyfftens.

The viij daye of Julii, anno 1563, in ye mornynge was great lyghtnynge and thundar, in ye whiche was slayne a woman mylkynge and iij kyne, with in ye Covynt gardyn whiche some tyme belongyd to ye Savoy be yond ye Temple bare; and many othar placis it dyd myche harme, of whiche one wase ye steple of Seynt Androw in Howlburne wase smyttyn, many men, wemen, and cattayll wer slayne.

 $^{^{\}circ}$ Havre de Grace, which was in possession of the English from September 1562 to July 1563.

Anno Domini 1563, ye 9 daye of Julii, being Frydaye, a commysyon was sent frome ye quene and counsell to London that everie houshowlder should at vij of ye cloke ye same nyght lay owt woodd and make bonfyers in ye stretes and lanes to that intent they shuld therby consume ye corrupte avers, whiche other wyse myght infect ye sitie with ye plage, as it was at that tyme begon, and dyed sum weke more and some weke lesse, but ye greatyst nombar that dyde there of any one weke in London and ye sowbarbes of ye same was xvij on weke, xxv ye next weke, xxiij ye third weke, xliiij ye last weke, before those boone fiars began; it was commaundyd to contynew ye same iii tymes a weke, Monday, Wednesdaye, and Frydaye, and where anny had dyed of ye plage to syt up a hedlesse eross over ye dores. Ye next weke afftar, endynge ye x day of Julii, ther dyde of ye plage in London lxiiij. Ye next weke endynge ye xvij day of Julii dyde c.xxxj of ye plage. Ye next weke endynge ye xxiii of July jc.lxxiiii of ye plage. The next weke endynge the xxx day of July dyed ijc.iiijxxix of ye plage. The next weke endynge the vi day of August dyed of ye plage ijc.iiijxxxix. The next weke endynge the xiij day of August, dyed of ye plage vc.xlij. The next weke endynge ye xx day of August, dyed of ye plage vic.viii. The next weke endynge ye xxvii day of August, dyed of ye plage ixc.lxxvj. The next weke endynge ye iij day of Septembre, dyed of ye plage ixc.lxiij. The next weke endynge ye x daye of September, dyed of ye plage xiiijc.liiij, and nevar a paryshe in London clere that weke. The next weke endynge the xvij daye of Septembre, dyed in London of ye plage xvjc.xxvj, and one paryshe clere. The next weke endynge ye xxiiij day of September, dyed of ye place in London xiijc.lxxij, and iij paryshes clere. The next weke endynge ye fyrst day of October, dyed in London of ye plage xviijc.xxviij, and one paryshe cleare. The next weke endynge ye viij day of Octobre, dyed in London of ye plage xijc.lxij, and iiij paryshes cleare. The next weke endynge ye xv of Octobre, dyed in London of ye plage viijc.xxix, and ix parishis The next weke endynge ye xxij of Octobre, dyed in cleare.

London of ye plage xc., and v parishis clere. The next weke endynge ye xxix of Octobre, dyed in London of ye plage ixc.v, and one paryshe clere. The next weke endynge the v of Novembre, dved in London of ye plage iijc.lxxx, and parishis The next weke endynge ye xij of Novembar, dyed in London of ye plage ijc.lxxxiii, and parishis clere xxvii. The next weke endynge ye xix of Novembre, dyed in London of ye plage vc.vj, and parishis clere xiiij. The next weke endynge ye xxvj of Novembre, dyed in London of the plage ijc.lxxxj, and parishis clere The next weke endynge ye iii of Desembre, dyed of ye plage in London jc.lxxviij, and parishis clere xxx. The next weke endynge ye x of Desembre, dyed of ye plage in ye citie ijc.xlix, and parishis clere xxvj. The next weke endynge ye xvij of Desembre, dyed of ye plage in London ijc.xxxix, pariches clere xxviij. The next weke endynge ye xxiiij of Desembre, dyed in London of ye plage jc.xxxiiij, parychis clere lj. The next weke endynge ye xxxj of Desembar, dyed in London of ye plage jc.xxj, parychis clere lj. The next weke endynge ye vij of Januarye, dyed in ye citie and lybertys therof of ye plage xlv, parichis elere lxj. The next weke endynge ye xiiij of January, dyed in ye citie and lybertys ther of of ye plage xxvj. The next weke endynge ye xxj of January, dyed in ye citie and lybertys therof of ye plage xiij. The next weke endynge ye xxviij of January, dyed in ye citie and libertis therof of ye plage xj. The next weke endynge ye iiij of February, dyed in ye citie and lybertys therof of ye plage x. The next weke endyng ye xj of February, dyed in ye citie and libertis of ye plage xviij. The next weke endyng ye xviij of February, dyed of ye plage in ye citie and lybertis ther of xxxv. The next weke endynge ye xxv of Fe[b]ruarye, dyed of ye plage in ye citie xiij. The next weke endyng ye iii of Marche, dyed in London of ye plage ix. The next weke endynge ye x of Marche, dyed of ye plage in ye citie vj. The next weke endynge ye xvij of Marche, of ye plage vj. The next weke endynge y xxiiij of Marche, of ye plage iij. Ye next weke endynge y' xxxj of Marche, of y' plage v. The next weke endvnge y' vij of Aprill, of ye plage iiij. The next weke endynge ye xiiij Apryll, of ye plage v. The next weke endynge ye xxj of Apryll, of ye plage iij. The next weke endynge ye xxviij of Apryll, of ye plage iij. The next weke endynge ye v day of Maye, of ye plage 4. The next endynge ye 12 of May, 3. The next endynge ye 19 of May, 5. The next endynge ye 26 of Maye, of ye plage 1. The next endynge ye 2 of June, of ye plage 4. The next weke endynge ye ix of June, of ye plage iij. The next weke endynge ye xxj of June, of ye plage ij. The next weke endynge ye xxij of June, of ye plage j. The ij next weke dyed none of ye plage in London.

Anno 1563, ye xxx of July, beyng Fryday, was one—whipt on a sekaffold at ye Stondard in Chepe, his neke, his hands, and fett made faste to a stake a bove ye sayd skafold with kolars of iron by ye bedeles of ye begars; some tym one, som tyme ij, some tym iij attonce whipte hym, and they strove who mowght whype hym moste extremlye; it was for that he had betyn a boye with a lethar gurdle havynge a buckle of yron, whiche buckle smate in to ye fleshe of ye boye very sore.

Anno 1563, ye 29 of Julii, was Newehaven delyveryd up to the Frenche men.

The 8 of Awgust, Turnar, commonly cawlyd Turnar of Bullyn, for that he had ben a prechar and ministar amongst the sowldiors at Boloigne, and had remayned there so longe as Boloigne was Englishe, so that he was called ye parson of Bolen, prechid at Pauls Crosse, wher he made ij solome pettyssyons to my Lorde Mayre of London. The one was that the deade of ye cittic shuld be buryed owt of the citic in ye fylde; the othar was that no bell shuld be tollyd for them when they lay at ye marcie of God departynge owt of this present lyffe, affyrmynge that ye ryngynge or tollynge of ye bell dyd ye partye departynge no good, nethar affore theyr deathe nor afftar.

Anno 1563, the 27 day of July, beynge Tuesdaye, Elys Hawll, of Manchestar, was whipt at Bedlem by to mynysters or prechars,

Philpot, a parson of Sent Myhells in Cornhyll, and Yownge, parson of Sent Bartylmews ye Lytyll, Fulckes ye comon cryar of London stondynge by.

In Anno 1564 (accoumptynge ye yere to begyn ye xxv of Marche), the xxv day of February, at xj of ye cloke in ye nyghte, deseasyd the abovesayd Eliseus Hawll, and was buryed on Shordche Churcheyarde on ye Twesday, and ye xxvij day of February, at xj of ye cloke before none.

Anno 1563, in Septembre, the old byshopes and dyver doctors wer removed owt of ye Towre in to the newe byshopes howssys, ther to remayn prysonars undar theyr custody (the plage then beynge in ye citie was thought to be ye caws), but theyr delyveraunce (or rathar chaunge of prison) dyd so myche offend ye people that ye prechars at Poulls Crosse and on other places bothe of ye citie and cuntric prechyd (as it was thought of many wysse men) verie sedyssyowsly, as Baldwyn at Powlls Cros wyshyng a galows set up in Smythefyld and ye old byshops and other papestis to be hangyd theron. Hym selfe died of ye plague the next weke aftar.

This yeare 1563, in Septembre, the Quenes Majestic lyenge in hir castell of Wyndsore, ther was set up in ye markyt place of Wyndsore a new payre of gallows to hange up all suche as shuld

^a John Philpot. He was deprived of his benefice in 1567.

b His name does not occur in Newcourt's list of the incumbents. After Thomas Taylor, collated 29 Nov. 1558, Newcourt gives Adrian Redlegge, collated 13 Dec. 1569.

come ther from London, so that no parson or eny kynde of warrs mought come or be brought from London to or thrughe, nethar by Wyndsor, not so myche as thrughe ye ryver by Wyndsor to cary wood or other stuffe to or from London upon payne of hangynge with owt eny judgement, and suche people as reseyvyd eny wares out of London in to Wyndsor were turnyd owt of theyr howsys and theyr howsys shut up.

Anno 1563, ye 26 of June, was a mynyster, a parson of Sent Marie Abchurche, of Sent Martyns in Iarmongar Lane, and of one other benefice in ye cuntrie, takyn at Dystaffe Lane ussynge an other mans wyffe as his owne, whiche was dawghtar to Ser Myles Partryge and wyffe to Wyllyam Stokebrege, grosar, and he beyng so takyn at ye dede doynge (havynge a wyffe of his owne) was caryed to Brydwell thrughe all the stretes, his breche hangynge aboute his knes, his gowne and his (kyvar knave) hatt borne afftar hym with myche honor; but he lay not longe ther, but was delyveryd with owt punyshment and styll injoyed his beneffysis. They were greatly blamed that aprehended hym and comitted hym.

Turnar, of Bullyn, prechinge at Powlls Crosse ye xxiiij of Octobre, anno 1563.

Syr Thomas Lodge, beynge Mayr of London, ware a beard, and was ye fyrst that (beynge Mayr of London) ever ware eny, ye whiche was thought to mayny people very straynge to leve ye cumly aunsyent custom of shavynge theyr beards; nevartheles he ware ye comly auncient bonet with iiij cornars as all other his predysesowrs had done before hym. This Sir T. Lodge braky and professe to be banqwerooute in his maioralitie to the grete slandar of ye citie. But ye next yere afftar Ser John Whit, beynge mayre, ware bothe a longe beard and allso a round cape that wayed not iiij ouncis,

ⁿ His name was George Barton.

b He was, however, deprived of both his London benefices some years later, viz. of St. Mary, Abchurch, in 1567, and of St. Martin's, Ironmonger Lane, in 1568. But before the occurrence mentioned in the text a George Barton is said to have been deprived of St. Swithin's rectory in London, in 1561.

whiche semyd to all men, in consyderation of ye auncient bonyt, to be very uncomly.

This yere of our Lord 1563 was great lytnynge and thundar in Desembre from ye fyrst day to ye xij lyghtly every evynnyng and nyght, spesyally on ye xij nyght, beyng Sonday, from viij of ye cloke tyll somewhat past ix, that gretar lyghtnyng hathe not bene lyghtly sene at eny tyme.

Poynts of Devinitie: Anno 1564 (by order of the Kalendar), ye yere to be accomptid from newe yers daye forward, on ye Wedynsdaye, beynge ye 26 of Januarie, wasse a solome sermon made at Powlls Crosse by Coale, Archedecon of Essyxe, wherunto was warnyd ye Lord Mayre of London with ye Aldarmen and Shrives, with allso the crafftis of ye citie in theyr lyveries. Wher in ye prechar dyd move ye awdyence to rejoyce that ye plage wasse cleane sessyd, and that God had cleane takyn it awaye from us. He sayd ye cawsse ther of was ye superstysyows relygyon of Rome, whiche was (as he sayd) so myche favoryd of ye sytysyns. He gave ws warnynge to be ware therof, callynge it a fallee relygyon, worsse then ethar ye Turkis or ye devyles relygyon. Moreover he sayd it stode uppon iiij pilars which wer rotyn postis, that is to say, Imagis, Purgatory, ye Sacraffice of ye Masse, and Transubstansyation, agaynst ye which he dyd invaye, and sayd that yf we dyd not beware of falce relygyon, all thought God had cleane takyn a way ye plage, he wold send a worse apon use, that is to say, fyre and sword, which shuld slee ye children at ther mothars brestes, ye wyffes shuld be slayn from theyr husbonds, ye husbonds from theyr wyffes, and one neyghbour shuld sleye an other to have his goods. But to conclud with all, he perswadyd all states of ye citie to rejoyce for that ye plage was sesyd, for now, sayd he, shall yowr mayre ryde honorably accompanyed with ye aldermen and other ther assystence ye worshypffull of ye citie; now shulde ye lawyers be frequentyd and set a worke, now shall ye skolles be openyd, now shuld the marchantis have fre traffryke into all cuntries and nacions, wher as before all

^a Thomas Cole, A.M.

nasyons dyd abhore them, now shall yow artyffysers rejoyce, for ye shall now sell yowr wares aboundantly, and now shall ye be sett a worke even thorowly, wher as of longe tyme ye have had no worke but lyvyd in great penurye. Now, O ye artyfysers, shall ye take mony aboundantly. O ye prentysys rejoyce, for now shall ye have yowr bellys full of meate, whiche of longe tyme have bene starvyd thrughe your mastars skarsytie.

On Wedyndyns daye, beynge Sent Mathews eve, and ye xx day of Septembar, anno 1564, was suche hye tydes that all ye maryshys abought East Hame, and so to London, was ovar flowyd with watar, whiche dyd myche harme.

On the xxvj day of Septembar, in anno 1564, beynge Tweseday, ware arraynyd at ye Gyldhalle of London iiij personas and there caste, for ye stelynge and receyvynge of ye queens lypott, combe, and lokynge glasse, with a bodkyn of gold to brayd hir heare, and suche other small ware out of hir chambar in her progresse. And on Thursday next afftar, beynge Myhilmas even, and ye xxviij day of Septembar, ij of them whiche had bene servantis in Chepesyd, one of them with Master Bakehowse, dwellyng agaynst ye Standard, beyng a sylke man, were bothe hangyd before ye Cowrte gatte, upon ye gallows that stode on Haye Hyll, whiche was for that tyme removyd for that purpose to Saynt James, before ye wall, beynge at that tyme ye quee[n]s cowrte.

The xxix of Septembar, in Anno Domini 1564, was y^e Lorde Robart Dudleye, mastar of y^e queens horsse, creatyd Baron of Denbyghe and Erle of Lescestar at y^e queens cowrtte, then beynge Saynt James, be sydes Charing crosse.

The second day of Octobar, beynge Mondaye, in anno 1564, was kepte at Paulls a sertayne kynde of evenynge prayer as an osequye or memoriall of ye deathe of Fardynando, latte Emperowr of Germanye, where ye Lorde Hyghe Tresorar of England was ye cheffe mowrnar amongest dyvars othar, as ye Byshope of Cauntowrbery,

^a Chamber pot.

ye Byshopes of London and Rochestar, with ye Deane of Powles, &ct. And on ye morow, beynge ye iij of October, was selebratyd a comunyon to ye offatory and no farthar, and so ye Byshope of London went to the pulpyt and prechyd a sermond, and ye herce, whiche was very fayr, of clothe, velvyt, and sylke, with frynge of golde, and banars very many and fayre, but no lyghts of waxe or othar wyse, stode tyll Monday next folowynge, whiche was ye ix dai of Octobar.

The vij day of Octobar, beynge Satowrdaye, anno 1564, at viij a cloke at nyghte, was sene comynge out of ye northe easte very great lyghtes lyke great flames of fyre, whiche shott forthe as it [were] gonepowdar fyeryd and spred out in a longe frome ye northe easte, northe, and northe west, in dyvars placis at once; and all mett in ye mydes of ye fyrmament, as it war ryght ovar London, and desendyd somewhat west warde, and all ye flames beynge ther gatheryd grew in to a rednys, as it were a very sangwyn or blode cowlar, and this contynewyd tyll ix of ye cloke; and all ye same nyght was more lyghtar then yf ye mowne had shone moste bryght, wheras no mone shone that nyght, for yt chaungyd but one day before, whiche was Fridaye.

Anno Domini 1564, Master Newalle, Deane of Powles, preachyd at Polles Chrose y^e 19 of Novembar, where he protestyd that ther was not one trew worde in Master Dormars boke latly brought ovar from beyonde y^e seas.

The 20 of Novembar, beynge Monday, in ye mornynge, a bowt vj of ye clocke, throughe neglygence of a mayden with a candell, ye snoffe ther of fawlynge into an hundryd wayght of gonne pothar, thre howssys in Bucklersbury war sore shaken, and ye backar partes of ye same howsys wer all to blewne and shattard in pecis, and ye afore sayde mayde was so byrnt that she dyede ther of with in ij dayes afftar; yf this powthar had bene in a sellar, as it was in a garret, it had donne myche more harme.

This yere 1564 was a sharpe froste, whiche began on Seynt Thomas daye before Cristmas, on ye 21 daye of Desember, beynge

Thursdaye, and contynewyd tyll ye 3 day of Janewarie beynge Wednysdaye; on ye whiche Wedynsedaye it thawyd bothe ye daye and night followinge, and ye morow being Thursdaye allso this forst as before is sayde begynynge on Sent Thomas day before Cristmas was so sharpe that on newyers even men went ovar ye Thams as saffe as on the dry land, not only betwyxt Westmystar and Lambythe, but in all placis betwyxt Lambethe and the Olde Swane, they wente bothe ovar ye Thames and alonge ye same from London to Westmystar and from Westmystar to London, comynge a lande salffelly (thankis be to God) wher they wolde betwen Westmystar and ye Olde Swan, whiche is very nere unto ye brydge. And ye same newyers even, beynge Sondaye, people playd at ye footte ball on ye Thams by great nombars. On newyers day beynge Monday, and on Twesday and Wednyseday, dyvars jentyllmen and othars set up pryekes on ye Thams and shott at ye same, and great nombars of people beholdynge ye same standynge at ye prykis as boldly (and thankis be gyvyn to God a saffly) as it had bene on ye drye lande. And I my selffe who write this notte wentte on ye Wedynsday before namyd frome Lambythe to Westmystar and there dynyd with Master Burre, who went thetar with me. And then we went agavne to ye comon stayrs of Westmystar, and so upon ye Thames to ye Baynards Castell, where we went a land (thankys be to God) as salffe as ever I went in eny place in all my lyffe, where we sawe men shewte at a payre of prykes set up agaynst ye qweens cowrte upon ye Thams, and costardmongars playinge at ye dysse for aples, and ye people went on ye Thams in greatar nombars then in eny streat in London. The people went ovar ye Thams on ye Thursdaye at nyght, and on ye morow, beynge Fridaye, was no yee on ye Thams to be sene, but that all men myght rowe ovar and alonge ye same, it was so sodaynly conssumyd.

Anno 1565, ye yere beginninge ye first of Januarie. The xxvj day of Januarie, beynge Frydaye, at nyght was ij tydes at London brydge; and on ye morow, beynge Satardaye, was ij tydes in ye mornynge and ij in the evenynge of ye same day, and ye morow,

beynge Sonday and ye xxviij day of Januarie, was lyke wys ij in ye mornynge and one in ye evynynge.

The iij daye of Februarye ye Lorde Darley departed toward Scotland, who afftarward maried ye Quene of Scotts, &ct.

The vij of Marche beynge Asshe Wedensday, in anno 1564, Master Newalle, Deane of Powls, prechid at Westmystar before ye Queens Majestye, wher he so handelyd his mattar that the Quenes Majestie spake to hym owt at a wyndowe and bad hym goo to his texte, &ct.

The xxviij day of Aprylle in ye afftar none, anno 1565, fell so great an haylle that yt lay on ye grownd in many placys abowt London more then xxiiij owres and ther with was iij or iiij great clapps of thundar. The morow, beynge Lowe Sonday and ye xxviiij day of Aprille, was Wylyam Man, of Soffolke in Sudbury, fownde hangyd with in Mistres Kyrtons palle in S. Andrews Wndarshafft paryshe in London; he honge hym selffe with his nyghte kercheffe on one of ye pykes of ye palle so that one of his fett towchyd ye grownd. The morow, beynge Monday and ye xxx day of Aprill, one mane rode on two staves borne on iiij mens showldars at S. Katheryns for that his next neybor sofferyd his wyffe to beat hym. There went with hym ny iijc. men with handgunes and pikes well armyd in cowrslytts.

On Lowe Sonday an Eryshe byshope of Irlande, beyng prisonar in y^e Towr of London, went quietly frome thens, beynge sene and spokyn with at his so goynge, and yet not knowne, whiche was myche to be merveylyd at, but he cowld not be founde.

Anno 1565, ye 20 dyay of June, at vij of ye cloke at nyght, was ye Lady Lynyt a sent prisonar unto ye Towr of London.

Anno 1565, the 16 day of Julii, at nyghte, beyng Monday, was very tyrable lyghtnynge and thundar, that the lyke in many yers hathe not bene sene; ye moste force therof was frome xij of ye cloke at nyghte unto iij of ye cloke in ye mornyng; whiche dyd myche hurt in many placys of this realme.

^{*} Lennox.

Anno 1565, ye 11 day of Septembar, beynge Tewsdaye, the K. of Swedons systar a cam to London, and lodgyd at ye Earle of Bedfords place at Yve brydge, and was ther delyveryd of male childe on ye Satarday at nyght next folowynge, or ye 15 day of Septembre.

Anno 1565, ye 8 day of Octobar, ye Mayre of London, beyng Ser Richard Malarie, ridynge toward the Towr Hyll thorow Towar Streate to take the mustar of sertayn horsmen, was mett by Ser Frauncis Jobson, Levetenaunte of the Towr (with a band of men dyd assalt), b who forsably wolde have taken the swerd from the swerdberar before ye mayre, in so myche that, the swerdberar holdynge the same very fast, the leffetenawnt so pulld therat that he pluckyd a way ye skabard, rentynge the same with stryffe of them and ye mayrs offysser, so that the mayre and his offysars had myche wyrke to deffend and kepe the sayd swerd, in so myche that the lyfftenaunt callyd for more ayde and assystaunce out of ye Towr, and the offysars war myndyd to have rayssyd the Towre Streate, and so the holle citie with wepons, but the lord major made proelaymacion that no man shuld draw eny wepon or stryke eny stroke, but every man to depart home, and all so the horssmen lyke wysse to depart tyll they were warnyd agayn, whiche on ye same daye sevennyght, beynge lykewys Monday and the 15 day of Octobar, they dyd ther mustar beffore the major in that sam place on the Towr Hyll before apoyntyd, and ther the mayr bare his swerd peasably as it befor tyms had bene used.

A Noate of Divinitye.

Colle, Assedeacon of Essexe, prechinge at Powlls Crosse, anno 1565, the xj day of November, lykenyd the pristes unto appes, for, saythe he, they be both balld alyke, but y^t the pristes be balld before, the appes behynd.

^a Cicely, wife of Christopher, Margrave of Baden. See Stowe's Chronicle, 659.

b "(with-assalt)" This is an interlineation which spoils the grammar.

Anno 1565, ye Lorde Ambros Dudley, Erle of Warwyke, ye 11 day of Novembar, maryed ye Earle of Bedfords dowghtar, named Lady Anne, at Westmynstar. For ye space of iij wekes before, a chalenge was set on ye cowrt gate at Westmyster, as followythe:

Yow that in warlike ways and dedes of arms delight, Yow that for cuntryes cause or ells for ladyes love dare fyght, Know yow foure knyghts ther be that come from foren land, Whos hawtye herts and corage great hathe movd to take in hand, With sword, with speare and shild, on fote, on horse backe, to, To try what yow by force of fyght, or otharwyse, can do. Prepare your selves ther fore this challenge to defend, That trompe of fame your prowes great abrod may sownd and send. And he that best can do, ye same shall have the price.

Ye day, ye place, and forme and fyght, loo here before your eys.

The day was apoyntyd y° iiij of November, whiche was put of to y° xj day of Novembar. At y° tylt with eache one vj courses, at y° torney xij strokes with y° swerd. Thre pusshes with the pounchen staffe and xij blows with y° swerd at barryars, or twenty yf any be so dysposed.

The same xj day at nyght, sertayne peales of chambars was shot of at ye bank ovar agaynst Westmyster, and one of ye chambars brekynge slew ye quenes scheffe mastar goonnar of Engeland, which was Master Robart Thomas.

The xxiij day of Decembar, beynge Sondaye, at nyghte, in anno 1565, was a greate tempest of wynde where thrwghe many persons were drownyd on the Thams and othar placis, and the great gattes at the weste ende of S. Pawls churche in London, wher is the brasen pilar was blowne wyde open, the wynd beynge in ye west was of suche force.

The xxij day of February, 1565, beynge Friday, the howsys nere to ye Cunduite in Cornhylle, about ye nombar of lx housholds, poore and ryche, were cryed by the bell man a bowte ye citie of London to be solde to them that wowld gyve moaste for them, and remeve the same from thens, that in that place ye marchaunts mought buyld

theyr bursse. Thos howsys were dyverse tymes so cryed and at y' last solde, and they begane to pull downe y' same shortly aftar owr Lady day in Lent. In y' pullynge downe wherof dyverse persons were sore hurt and ij in great poryll of deathe; and by Whitsontyd next followynge in 1566 y' same howsys were all pullyd downe and y' grownd clearyd: all whiche chargis was borne by y' citizens of London, and then possessyon gyven by sertayn aldarmen to Syr Thomas Gressham, who layed y' fyrst stone (beynge bryke) of y' fowndacion on y' vij day of June, beynge Friday, in y' aftar none next aftar Whitson halydays, betwen 4 and 5 of y' cloke.

The xxvj day of Marche, in anno 1566, beyng Twesday, yo parsons and mynystars of ye churches in and abought London were (by commaundyment) at Lambethe, before ye Archebyshoppe of Caunterbury a and other of ye cownsell, wher charge was given to them to sarve theyr churchis and were theyr aparayll according to ye quens injunctions, or ells to do no sarvyce. And that same weke or ye begynyng of ye next came forthe a boke in print subscribyd by ye Archebyshope of Cauntorbury, a ye Byshopps of London, b Wynchester, Elii, and dyvers othar, whiche apoyntyd ye sayd mynistars to were theyre gownes and clokes with standynge colars and corneryd capse, and at theyr servyce to were syrplysys, or els not to mynystar, &ct. Afftar this followyd myche troble with ye mynystar of ye citie of London; for in moost paryshis ye sextyn of ye churche dyd all shuche servys as was done, and that in his coate or gowne as he comonly went about other busynes. In sume placis ye mynystars themselvs dyd servyse in theyr gownes or clokes with turnyng colars and hatts as they wer wont to do, and prechid stowtly and agaynst ye ordar taken by ye quene and counsell and ye byshopps for consentynge ther unto. And on ye 23 e day of Apryll a beryeng beynge at S. Gylls with owt Criple gate, vi clarkes weryng

^a Matthew Parker.

^b Edmund Grindall.

c Robert Horne.

d Richard Cox.

^o Originally written "22." The second figure is corrected, but whether into a "3" or a "1" it is difficult to say.

syrplicys befor ye corps, Crowley, vickar of that churche, stode in ye churche dore and with stode them ther to entre, sayinge the churche was his, and ye quene had gyvne yt hyme duryng his lyffe and made hym vickar therof, wherfore he wold rule that place and wold not soffer env suche superstycius rages of Rome ther to entre; wher uppon was lyke to have bene a great tumolte by the reson of partyse takynge, but in ye end ye clarks and those who toke theyr parte accordynge to ye quenes prosedynge wer fayne to gyve ovar and to tary with owt ye churche dore. Ye 7 day of Aprell, beyng Palme Sondaye, ye paryshe of S. Marie Magdalyn in Mylkestret, makynge labour to ye byshope, had by hym a mynister apoyntyd to serve them with communion that day. And when ye sayd mynystar was at sarvyce in a syrplyce and came doune to rede ye pistle and ghospell, in ye meane space one of ye same paryshe cawsyd his servant to convey ye comunyon cupe and ye bread frome ye table, wherby many persones that were determined that day to have reseyvyd wer dysapoyntyd, ye which fact was aftar but made a lawhyn game.

The xxx day of Marche, 1566, beyng Satarday, in ye aftar none was a sore tempest of lyghtenynge and thundar with rayne very great. The day before was ye Prynce and Martgrave of Badyn b arestyd or stayed at Rochestar, wher he was dysguysyd lyke an espye and so to have stolne owt of ye realme and his Lady Cisily his wyffe to have stolne afftar hym, levynge a great nombre of creditowrs unpaid, as theyr buttchar, bakar, bruar, mercer, taylowr, skynar, grocer, habbardashar, and othar, and yet his creditors for ye same stayeng of hym were by ye cowncell commaundyd, some to the Flett and some to ye Marshalsey. The 26 or 28 of Aprell Ciscily Marquese of Bawde was conveyed thrughe Kent towards Dovar and so to sayll towar hir natyy cuntrye.

^a Robert Crowley. See p. 139.

Robart, Erle of Lecestar, 1566.

The 2 of Aprell ye Erle of Leycester cam to London, beyng accompanyd with lords, knyghts, y' peneionars and a great nombar of gentylmen and others with ye quenes fortmen and his owne also, all in theyr riche cotes and to ye nombar of 700. He came in at ye Temple barre and so thrughe Ludgate, Powlls churchyard, Cheape, Cornhyll, Gracious Strete, and then turnyd downe Lombard Strete and downe S. Nicholas Lane, and so to London Stone to ye Erle of Oxfords place in S. Swythyns churche yard, wher it was apoyntyd that the Quenes Majestye (who had come frome Grenewytche secretly in to Sothewarke, takynge a whiry with one payr of ors for her and two other ladyes at S. Mary Overyes stayres, and so rowyd ovar to the Thre Crannes in ye Vyntre, wher she entryd a cowche cyveryd with blewe and so rode to ye same Oxforde place) to mett with ye sayd Earle of Lescestar, who or her graeis comynge was retorned with his trayn thrughe Candelwyke Strete and Easte Cheape, and downe New Fyshe Strete, ovar ye brydge, thrwghe Sothewarke, and so by S. Georgys churche toward Grenewytche. Not fer be yonde ye sayd churche of S. George he stayde tyll ye Quenes Majestie came frome ye sayd Oxford Place before namyd the same way that she had passyd thethar tyll hym. She cam owt of hir coche in ye highe way, and she imbrased ye earle and kyssed hym thrise, and then they rode togythar to Grenewytche. The same day at nyght from vij of the cloke tyll ix was sene in ye elyment as thoughe the same had openyd ye bredghte of a great shete and shewyd a bryght flame of fyre and then closyd a gayne, and as it ware at every mynute of an howre to opyn and close agayne, ye whiche I beyng at ye Barrs with owt Allgate sawe playne easte as it war ovar the churche namyd Whitchappell. It is sayd ye Erle of Leyeester was retornyd frome London Stone be fore ye Quenes Majestie came ther, for that she was not come when he came thethar.

Ye same Palme Sonday in anno 1566, ye 7 of Aprill, a Scott (who prechid ij tymes every day at Sent Magnus, and mynysteryd every day to all comars of ye paryshe or eny other in his gowne or cloke) prechid in ye afternone at Lytle Allhalows in Thams Stret. Ye moaste part of his sermon was (as the other of his sermons were and are) agaynst ye order takyn by ye quene and councell for ye aparayll of mynystars before namyd, with very byter and vehement words agaynst ye quene not here to be namyd, and allso agaynst mynystars as receyvyd ye same ordre. The mynyster of ye churche for savgarde of his lyvynge had receyvyd ye cappe and syrplyce, where fore some tyme in ye sermon he smylyd at vehemente talke by ye prechar usyd to the contrary. Wher upon aftar ye sermon sertayne of ye paryshe, namly, Wyllson, a dyar, and Dyckynson, a fyshemonger, resonyd with ye mynystar for his smyllyng at ye prechar, who resonably aunsweryd; but they toke ye matter so grevowsly that they fell from rwghe wordes at ye last to blowes with them who toke parte with ye mynystar. The lyke dysquyet doyngs wer that daye in dyvars churches of ye citie, and allso ye lyke on Estar day or rathar worsse, so that in some paryshe churchis ye people in great nombar beynge redy to reseyve, suche quarylynge and contencion was between ye mynystars and parishoners that to quyat ye mattar ye churche dores wer fayn to be closyd, and ye paryschyns to departe unreseyvynge for that day. And on Low Sonday, beynge ye xxj of Aprell, ye worshypffull of ye paryshe of Seynt Myldred in Bred strett, bryngynge a mynystar to serve the aftar none with a syrplyce, wer with stand by ye parson and his adherents, so that at ye last the cheffe of ye paryshe with ye aldarmans deputy of ye warde were fayne to cause ye mynystar to put on his syrplys and to do his servys, they standyng by on ethar syde to defynd hym tyll ye end of servyce. Ye mynistars and prechars that wer prehibytyd to preche or mynister dyd mayny of them nevartheles mynystar and preache as they before had don, yewsynge words of great vehemencie agaynst ye ordar before sayd set forthe, as also agaynst ye quene, counseyll, and byshops for settynge forthe

ye same. Ye lyke seducious lybells wer wryttyn and strewyd abowt in ye strets, and ij sortis of seducious bokes wer set forthe in prynt and given at they morning congratings; the one entitely d"The Voyce of God," set owt by one Towrs ye coole takar of the Towre, a smaterar in musyke, and hathe of longe tyme laboryd to serve in Powls churche, and ther dayly to were a syrplice wer it but for xli. the yere. Thothar by ye wholl multytud of London mynystars, every one of them gyvynge theyr advyce in writynge unto Robart Crowley (somtym a boke sellar), now redar at Sent Antholyns, person of S. Petar ye Powre, prebend of Pawlls, vickar of S. Gills with owt Criple gate, and deane of Harfford in Wales, who compilyd ye same in to one booke, namynge ye same "Ye Unffoldynge of ye Popyshe atyr;" agaynst ye whiche boke an othar boke, beynge "A Playn Confutacion," was set forthe in print with ye quens priveledge. It is to be notyd that ye awethors of thos two books before namyd were no ways punyshid for ye same, but only ye printars were kepte in ye Contar nyghe a fortnyght, tyll they had openyd who war ye awcthors, but they had frinds ynowe to have sete ye whole realme togethar by the eares.

On the 3 day of June, beynge Whitson Monday, at nyght, ye Scott (who before had ussyd to preche at S. Magnus and so sore to envey agaynst ye capps, syrplisis, and suche lyke) dyd servys at S. Margaret Pattyns in Roode Lane, wher he ware a syrplice; and a sertayne nonbar of wyves threw stons at hym and pullyd hym forthe of ye pulpyt, rentyng his syrplice and scrattyng his face, &ct.

On ye 4 day of June, beynge Twewssdaye in Whison weke, Philpot, summe tyme a scrivoner, other reder at Sent Antholyns, person of S. Mihells in Chornhyll, person of Stepnye and other spiritual possesyons, and Gowghe, an other scrivoner, the third reder of S. Antholyns, person of S. Peters in Cornhyll, for that they were the moaste ernyste withstondars of ye lawes of this realme before namyd consernynge ye order of mynystracions, and ye greatyst animators of all ye wholl citie to do the lyke, upon whom ye greatest nomber of other mynyster dyd depend, beynge apoyntyd by the

byshops to go to Wynchestar to Robert Horne, ther byshope, withe hym to perswad or be perswadyd for ye space of xxj days, toke theyr jorney ovar London brydge thrughe Sothewarke and so forthe to ward Wynchestar, beynge accompanyed with a great nombar of wymen to ye nombar of ij or iij c. ladyn with baggs and bottells to bancket at theyr departynge, gyvynge them golde, sylvar, sugar, spice, or othar wyse suche as they had, anymatynge them moaste ernystly to stand fast in ye same theyr doctryn whiche they had tawght touchynge syrplysis, caps, and suche lyke. At Myhelmas next foloyng, Philpot subsribyng to them came to London agayn, wher beyng myche rebukyd of his brethern he sold up his movable goods and went to Rie, in Kent, wher he hathe xxxli. a yer, and servythe with owt a syrplice, and kepithe all his othar promocions still as Stapney, Cornhill, &ct.

The 26 day of Januarie next followynge, beynge Sonday, ye Byshope of London comynge to Seinte Margarets in Olde Fishe Strete to preache in the fore none, the people (especially the wymen) that ware in ye sayde churche unreverently howtyd at hym with many oprobrious words, and cryed "Ware horns," for that he ware a corneryd capp. For ye whiche on ye Satarday next, beynge the 1 day of February, one woman, beynge the wyfe of one ----a Symsone, a tynkar, dwellynge in Sowthewarke, was sett uppon two laddars lyke a cuckengstole before the same churche, where she satt the space of one owre, greatly rejoysynge in that her lewde behavowr, and that she was punyshyd for the same, and lyke wyse the beholdars of ye same dyd myche rejoyce ther in and anymatyd the lewde woman to rejoyce and prayse the Lorde for that He had made hir worthy to soffer persecution for ryghtwysnes, and for the truths sake (as they said) and for crienge owt a gaynst supersticion as the termed it.

The 17 day off Februarie at nyght, beynge Monday, was a great watche in ye citie of London, so that ye Lord Maior, ye shrives, and dyvers aldarmen them selves were abrode in the strets all that

ⁿ Blank in MS.

nyght with great nombars of people; whiche great watche contynewyd all that weke. Whiche watche was for feare of an insurrection agaynst y° strangars whiche wer in great nombar in and abowt y° citie, as in all other porte townes and havens of the whole realme, and styll increasyd and do tyll this day, for y° whiche we ar bownd to pray to God that some order may be taken by owr Prince for y° contrarie. They have browght mayny howsys in y° citie frome 40s. y° yere to 20 nobles or 10li. with other anoyauncis to y° comon welthe with out nombar. The occasyon of this watche was thrwghe a portar who went about to dyvars prentises, tellynge them that that nyght folowynge wowlde be y° lyke stire agaynst straungars as was at Evyll May Day, act.; some of whiche pre[n]-tesys gave knowledge ther of to theyr mastars and theyr mastars to y° lord maiore, &ct. The same portar was take, layd in y° Countar, and on Friday after stod in Cheape on a scaffold.

On Shrove Monday, beynge ye 10 day of Februarie, in ye mornynge, ye Lorde Henrie Dernley, Kynge of the Scotts, was mourderyd in Scotland. And on Fryday, beynge the 22 day of Februarie, in the evenynge about 5 of ye cloke, ye Lady Lynioxe, mothar to ye sayd Kynge of Scotts, was delyveryd owt off the Towr of London and loddgyd at Salysbury Courte, callyd Sakvyll Place, in ye Flete Strete.

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The 4 day of Aprill, beynge Fryday, at nyght deseasyd Alderman Lambart, one of ye shrives of London; and on ye 5 day, beynge Sattarday, was chosen shrive for hym Alderman Langleye.

On Twsdaye, ye 15 day of Aprill, ye Earle of Arondell aryvyd at Dovar, and on Thursday in ye aftarnone, whiche was ye 17 day of Aprell, he was honorably and with a great trayne of horse men conductyd thrughe ye citie of London.

James, ye bastard of Scotland, with his brothar and other Scots, came to London on Wedyneseday ye 16 of Aprell. The xxij

a In 1517.

^b The Earl of Murray.

day of Aprill iiij^{xx} howses was brente, and xv in Oswestre, and xviij barens,^a it began byrynynge and contynuyd but vj owrs.

The 24 day of Aprell, beynge Thursday, the Sargaunts feaste was kepte at Greys In, nere to Holborne, and aftar dynnar the new sargaunts, beynge 7 in nombar, cam in theyr gowns, hodds, and coyves to Seynt Thomas of Ackars, nere to the great Conduite in Cheape, and from thens to Seynt Pawls, and in bothe placis observyd serimonys, and then went in the same order into Flete strete, and then departed to theyr severall lodgyngs.

The 4 daye of Maye, beyng Sonday, in the mornynge was found sertayn bylls agaynst the Flemyngs that latly had fled owt of Flaundars, with galowsys, and as it wer hangynge of Flemyngs, drawne in the same papars, or bylls, fyxid on postes abowte the citic, for the whiche was aftarward very strayght watche kepte in London ye same nyght and longe afftar.

The 2 day of June, beynge Monday, in ye fornone, one ambasador from ye Emperowr and one other from ye Lady Regent of Flaundars, landyd at ye Towr stayres, and wer ther receyvyd by ye Earle of Sussexe and by hym convayde to Mastar Dymoks place in Fanchurche Strete and ther lodgyd. On ye Thursday next folowynge they went to ye quens cowrte at Westmynster wher ye ambasador from ye Emperowr delyveryd to ye quene one boke and one lettar, beynge bothe seallyd. And the Sonday next followynge ye Emperowrs ambasadowr, to the marvayll of many, went to ye Duche churche in London, and ther herd ye sarmond and servysse done by ye Calvenystys, and then went to ye cowrte. And on Fryday next in ye aftarnone they wer at ye Towr, and from thens to ye Mynorys, were Capitayn Pellam made them a banquit with bakon and powlderyd netts tonges, wher was suche eattynge and drynkynge that (by ye reporte of thos which made clean ye hows) ye howse was mervelowsly by pyste and by spewyd to the great shame of thos banquettars; at which banquet was ye Dutches of Suffolke, and it was moste parte or all at hir cost. The same embasadors went

a In margin-"iiijxx & xv howsys & xv barns byrnt in Oswestrye."

to Richemount to ye Quenes Majestie of ye Sonday next folowynge, and agayn ye next Sonday, &ct. And on Wedenseday, beyng ye 25 day of June in ye mornynge, the Earle of Sussex with ye yonge Lord Northe went onward of his jurney as ymbasador to the Emperowr, and the same day in ye aftarnone ye embasadors of ye Emperowr and of ye Lady Regent of Flaundars departyd from London toward the sea to pase home warde.

The fyrst day of Julii to carts loden with have, one betwen Eslendoune and Clerkenwell, ye other beyonde Eslyndon and Holowway at Rynge Crosse, wer set affyre and byrnt, no man can tell how, excepte ye heate of ye axeltric showld be ye cawse.

The ij day of Julii Syr Nycholas Throkemorton toke his jorneye towards Scotland (as it was sayd by comon reporte, to fetche ye yonge Prynee of Scotland); ye 10 of September he enteryd into London homeward agayne.

The xxix day of Julii y^e yonge Prince of Scotland was erownyd Kynge of Scotland.

About that tyme were many congregations of the Anabaptysts in London, who cawlyd themselvs Puritans or Unspottyd Lambs of the Lord. They kept theyr churche in ye Mynorys with out Algate. Afterwards they assomblyd in a shype or lyghtar in Seynt Katheryns Poole, then in a chopers howse, ny Wolle Key in Thamse strete, wher only the goodman of the howse and the preachar, whose name was Brown (and his awditory wer cawlyd the Browyngs), were computed to ward; then aftarward in Pudynge Lane in a mynisters hows in a blynd ally, and vij of them were committyd to ye Countar in ye Poultrye. Then aftar, on ye 29 of February, beyng Shrove Sonday, at Mountjoye Place, wher ye byshop, beyng warnyd by the constables, bad let then alone. Then at Westmystar, the 4 of Marche, and in a goldsmythis house nere to the Savoy, the 5 of Marche, wher beynge taken to the nombar of 60 and odd, only 3 were sent to the Gatehous. In many other placis were and are the lyke. On Estar day at Hogston in my Lord of Londons mans house to ye nombar of 120, and on Lowe

Sonday in a carpentars hous in Aldarman bury. It is to be noated that suche as were at eny tyme comitted for suche congregatynge were sone delyvered without punishemente.

Anno Domini 1564, from ye 7 of Julie of ye plage in London.

Unto ye 14 of Julie, 1. Unto ye 21 of Julie, 1. Unto ye 28 of Julie, 2. Unto ye 4 of August, 3. Unto ye 11 of August, 2. Unto ye 18 of August, 1. Unto ye 25 of August, 1. Unto ye 1 of Septembar, none. Unto ye 8 of Septembar, 3. Unto ye 15 of Septembar, 1. Unto ye 22 of Septembar, none. Unto ye 29 of Septembar, 6. Unto ye 6 of Octobar, 1. Unto ye 13 of Octobar, none. Unto ve 20 of Octobar, none. Unto ye 27 of Octobar, none. Unto ye 3 of Novembar, 1. Unto ye 10 of Novembar, none. Unto ye 17 of Novembar, none. Unto yº 24 of Novembar, none. Unto ye 1 of Decembar, none. Unto ye 8 of Decembar, none. Unto ye 15 of Decembar, 2. Unto ye 22 of Decembar, none. Unto ye 29 of Decembar, none. Unto ye 5 of Januarie, none. Unto ye 12 of Januarie, none. Unto ye 19 of Januarie, none. Unto ye 26 of Januarie, none.

Unto ve 2 of Februari, none. Unto ye 9 of Februari, none. Unto ve 16 of Februarie, none. Unto ye 23 of Februarye, none. Unto ve 2 of Marche, none. Unto ve 9 of Marche, none. Unto ve 16 of Marche, none. Unto ye 23 of Marche, none. Unto ye 30 of Marche, none. Unto ye 6 of Aprill, one. Unto ye 13 of Aprill, none. Unto ye 20 of Aprille, none. Unto ye 27 of Aprile, none. Unto yº 4 of May, none. Unto ve 11 of May, none. Unto ye 18 of May, none. Unto ve 25 of May, none. Unto ve 1 of June, none. Unto ye 8 of June, none. Unto ye 15 of June, none. Unto ye 22 of June, none. Unto ve 29 of June, none. Unto ve 6 of Julii, none. Unto ve 13 of Julii, none. Unto ve 20 of Julii, none. Unto ye 27 of Julii, none. Unto ye 3 of August, none. Unto ye 10 of August, none. Unto ye 17 of August, none. Unto ye 24 of August, 1. Unto ye last of August, none. Unto ye 7 of Septem. none. Unto ye 14 of Septem. none. Unto ye 21 of Septem. none.

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Unto ye 28 of Septem. none. Unto ye 5 of October, none. Unto ye 12 of October, none. Unto ye 19 of October, none. Unto ye 26 of October, none. Unto ye 2 of November, none. Unto ye 9 of November, none. Unto ye 16 of November, none. Unto ye 23 of November, none. Unto ye 30 of November, none. Unto ye 7 of December, none. Unto ye 14 of December, none. Unto ye 21 of December, none. Unto ye 28 of December, none. Unto ye 4 of January, one. Unto ye 11 of January, none. Unto ye 18 of January, none. Unto ye 25 of January, none. Unto ye 1 of February, one. Unto ye 8 of February, none. Unto ye 15 of February, none. Unto ye 22 of February, none. Unto ye 1 of Marche, none. Unto ye 8 of Marche, none. Unto ye 15 of Marche, none. Unto ye 22 of Marche, none. Unto ye 29 of Marche, none. Unto ye 5 of Aprill, none. Unto ye 12 of Aprill, none. Unto ye 19 of Aprell, none. Unto ye 26 of Aprell, none. Unto ye 3 of Maye, none. Unto ye 10 of May, none. Unto ye 17 of May, none.

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Unto ye last of May, one. Unto ye last of May, one. Unto ye 14 of June, none. Unto ye 14 of June, none. Unto ye 21 of June, one. Unto ye 28 of June, none. Unto ye 5 of Julii, none. Unto ye 19 of Julii, none. Unto ye 19 of Julii, none. Unto ye 26 of Julii, none.

BRIEF NOTES

OF OCCURRENCES UNDER HENRY VI. AND EDWARD IV.,

From MS. Lambeth, 448.

1307. Coronacio Regis Edwardi Carnarvan apud Westmonasterium 14 Kal. Decembris, qui duxit Isabellam Regis Francie filiam.

[This is the first of a series of chronological notes of which almost all prior to Henry VI. are here omitted, being destitute of historical value.]

1390. Mulier apud Cok in Le Chepe erat combusta et ij pandoxatores sine reatu et immunes suspensi.

1409. Filii Regis verberati in Estchepe.

1411. The gold coyne alayed.

1412. Dominus Cobham arestatus et fracto carcere fugit.

1413. Coronacio Henrici V^{ti} Regis apud Westmonasterium ix die Aprilis, dominica in Passione Domini, in magno frigore et gelu, &c. Et insurrectis Domini de Holdcastel domini de Cobham.

1422. Henricus vj^{us} Rex qui incepit regnare primo die Septembris Anno Domini 1422, ille existens infra (?)^a iij quarter' anni ætatis. Hic incepit Newgate edificari.

1423. Dominus Johannes Mortemer suspensus.

1425. Contentio inter London' et episcopum Wynton'.

1426. Hie factus fuit episcopus Wynton' cardinalis.

1429. Coronatio Henrici vj^{ti} Regis apud Westmonasterium.

1430. Jak Scharp erat tractus et suspensus propter insurrexionem.

- 1431. Coronatio Regis nostri Angliæ apud Parisium.
- 1432. Concilium generale apud Basyle, et stella comata visa per xv dies.
 - 1433. Gelu magnum et pestilentia magna.
 - 1435. Dux Burgundie obsedebat Calisiam.
 - 1436. Dux Burgundie fugit et ejus obsidium erat combustum.
 - 1437. Pons lapideus London' fregit et cecidit in Tamisiam.
- 1441. Domina Elinora Cobham egit publicam penitentiam London', et quedam phitonissa et incantatrix combusta.
 - 1444. Campanile de Waltam crematum est.
- 1445. Campanile Sancti Pauli, London', cremavit ab hora tercia post nonam usque ad horam novenam in vigilia Purificationis, et Coronacio Margarete Regine.
- 1446. Interfectio ducis Glowcestrie apud Bury, et quinque homines suspensi et tamen non mortui.
- 1449. Dux Suffolchie captus in mari et interfectus, et Normannia perdita. Communitas Cancie insurrexit.
 - 1450. Gasconia et Gyan perdite erant.
- 1452. Dux Eboracensis cepit campum in xl^{ma} añ (?) in Blakheth in Cancia contra ducem de Somershet.
- 1453. In festo Sancti Edwardi Regis, id est iijº idus Octobris, natus erat Edwardus princeps, filius Regis Henrici vj^{ti} et Margarete Regine, apud Westmonasterium.
- 1455. xj kl. Junii dux de Somersheth et plures alii interfecti sunt apud Sanctum Albanum.
- 1456. xiij° die mensis Novembris, dominus Egremond aufugit extra Nugate, Lond', qui incarceratus erat pro pace conservanda et obligatus per se et per alios erga certos dominos in xvij mill' marc̃.

Memorandum quod anno Domini M.cccc.xlvj vel xlvij, et anno regni Regis Henrici vj^{ti} xxv^o, eirca festum Purificationis Beate Marie, erat parliamentum apud Bury tentum, ubi Rex erat vigilatus et protectus qualibet nocte et die illue veniens ubicu:nque jacuit, apud Royston, Cantebr', Novum Mercatum, et apud Sanctum Edmundum, quasi eum lx^{ta} milibus hominum et villanis, ad excita-

tionem et concilium domini Pole ducis tunc tempore Suffolchie, pre timore domini Umfray ducis Glowcestrie Regis avunculi, qui, nichil malum cogitans vel suspicans, venit a Wallia juxta præceptum Regis ad parliamentum predictum ut haberet benevolentiam et gratiam Regis pro domina Elienora uxore sua, ut dictum erat, in Wallia inclusa et incarcerata. Verumtamen ad presentiam Regis venire minime potuit, nec cum eo loqui, sed clam missis a latere Regis, ut dicitur, ad eundem ducem quibusdam dominis secreto in camera ejus, ubi quid extitit ei dictum vel factum, diversi diversa suspicantur et dicunt; sed sine dubio post recessum dominorum ab eo taliter infirmabatur quod nullo modo ultra iij dies vivere a potuit, nulla tamen lesione corporali exterius apparente; quo mortuo et apud Babwelle inter Fratres Minores ibidem sepulto, parliamentum statim dissolvebatur. Ante cujus mortem vise erant a diversis hominibus stelle mirabiles et cometa etc.; unde postea plura propterea contingebant inconvenientia &c. Nam eo tempore erant quinque homines suspensi et tamen non mortui.

1448. Tempore quadragesimali visa est stella comata a pluribus in Occidente, id est, ante Annunciationem Beate Marie.

1449. Item in festo Sancti Georgii, feria iiija contingenti, extitit terremotus in mane parum ante horam quartam, que duravit quasi per spacium unius $Ave\ Maria.$

1449. Dominus Johannes Say erat tractus per quendam capitaneum de Kent qui insurrexit cum multis de Cancia et intravit London' cum manu forti, nullo ei in primis resistente vel contradicente; cui tradite erant claves civitatis London' per majorem et vicecomites et aldermannos; qui capitaneus decollavit predictum dominum Johannem Say in medio in le Chepe et spoliavit quendam divitem vocatum Mampace, b et pompose p.... Set hoc con-

After "vivere" the word "non" occurs in the text, but it is rather faint, as if purposely obliterated.

b Philip Malpas.

[&]quot; "et pompose p" This is an addition to the original text, the word "et" being inserted at the end of a line, and "pompose p" interlined below; but the sentence has been left incomplete.

siderans Dominus Schalys, London' existens, timens ne destrueret civitatem et plura et alia mala faceret, fortiter cum pluribus contra eum pugnavit; et statim venerunt plures de curialibus et Fletestrete architenentes, et de civitate sufficientes, pugnantes cum codem domino contra Cansientes, qui fugarunt dictum capitaneum cum exercitu suo ultra pontem Londonie cum magno conflictu ex utraque parte quasi per magnam partem noctis ejusdem diei; qui capita[ne] us et qui cum eo erant combusserunt pontem London', unde plures erant submersi et interfecti ex utraque parte, inter quos quidam nobilis Matheus Goo b interfectus erat et honorifice sepelitur apud Fratres Carlemitarum c ibidem per capellam Beate Marie in choro et Allexander Aysac'(?), &c.

1449. Hoc anno Dominus Willelmus Asku episcopus Salisberiensis et Episcopus Cestric dinterfecti erant; Episcopus Wygornie, Episcopus Lincolnie [et Episcopus Londonie] e moriebantur; ac etiam Dominus Thomas Langton Episcopus de Batho [Sci David], cancellarius Cantebrigie et episcopus Carletensis, et duo notabiles et famosi doctores, magister Gylbertus, et magister Cote, doctor, mortui sunt.

gAnno Domini M°cccc.liiij° apud Royston, ut fide digni dixerunt et audierunt quod necessitate cogente propter inopiam h pecuniarum quidam agricultor firmarius vendidit x quarteria frumenti pro xxs., hoc est j cumb pro xij d. et j quarterium brasii pro xvij d.

1455. Hoc anno, feria quinta ante festum Pentecostes, id est, xxij° die mensis Maij, venit Dominus Ricardus Dux Eboracensis cum filio suo comite de Marche, Domino de Cromwell et alij plures cum magno exercitu, ac etiam Dux Northfolchiæ et Dominus Bowcer

a "eontra Cansientes." These two words are added in margin.

b Matthew Gough.

^c So in MS.

d Should be "Cieestrie."

Crossed through in original.

f Interlined as a correction, but the words "de Batho" in the text are not struck out.

⁵ This note, which is repeated elsewhere out of place, has been inserted here at the bottom of a page.

h Interlined in place of carenciam in the text.

comes de Hyu cum eo et unanimi concensu, ad fortificandum predictum Ducem Eboracensem contra Ducem de Somershed, eorum capitalem adversarium, ad concilium domini Regis versus Leycester. Set omnes isti irruerunt super predictum Ducem de Somershed eum manu magna armata tunc cum rege apud Sanctum Albanum existentem; et ibi in magno conflictu interfecti fuerunt antedictus Dux de Somershed et comes Northhumbrorum, Percy nomine, et Dominus de Clyfford, Willelmus Cotton, armiger, et Dux de Bokyngham lesus et plures alij de chevelria quasi xla ibi graviter erant vulnerati. Et episcopus de Carlhyll, filius dicti eomitis de Northhumbyrland, erat spoliatus omnibus bonis suis, tam in equis, jocalibus, familia sua et etiam a capa sua relictus erat solus tantum in rocheto fugiens pedester usque ad Islam, &c.

1456. Stella comata visa erat in occidente quasi per quindenam ante festum Sĉi Johannis Baptiste et post, que extendebat radium globosum sursum in ayerem usque firmamentum ad longitudinem unius lancee quo ad visum, &c.

1456. Feria secunda in vigilia Sancti Thome Apostoli in mense Decembris per quarterium unius hore ante horam tertiam post mediam noetem erat terre-motus magnus ex quo plures audientes et sensientes a erant exterriti; qui duravit per spacium dimidii unius Ave Maria.

1457. Quinto kalendas Septembris, die Dominica super B contingente, circa horam quartam in mane venerunt Francigene et pirate et inimici eum magna multitudine, quasi xv. milia hominum, cum navibus, et applicuerunt ad villam de Sandwych, a Cantuaria vij miliariis distantem, quorum vij milia exierunt per ij vel tria miliaria in patriam ibi custodientes et defendentes predictam villam quousque alii socii eorum, magna multitudo, intraverunt villam de Sandwych et interfecerunt ballivos b et ministros sive rectores ville et plures alios divites in patria, et spoliaverunt totam villam omnibus jocalibus

a So in MS

 $^{^{\}mathrm{b}}$ The word majorem was first written before ballivos, but was afterwards struck out.

et bonis inibi inventis per totam illam diem dominicam usque ad noctem, eariando eum bigis et waynis ad naves suas in mare; et abduxerunt secum plures divites et uxores atque mulieres alias; et fugerunt, relicta predieta villa in magna paupertate et miseria. Et eodem tempore ceperunt duas galeas diversis mercimoniis onustas qui (sie) proposuerunt venisse ad Londonias et ad nundinas de Stebrigge, sed omnibus gubernantibus illas interfectis et in mare projectis, illas galleas secum asportaverunt.

Anno Domini M.cccc.lixº et anno regni Regis Henrici viti xxxviijo, mense Julii, venerunt comes de Warwyk, comes de March et comes de Salisbery, quia cum prius venissent ad Northampton et audito quod Rex erat presens elam fugierunt a[d] mare quousque &c. et tune venerunt a Calissia de ultra mare ad Sandwych in Canciam, cum magno exercitu in London', et honorifice erant ibidem recepti, tam a domino Archiepiscopo Cantuariensi, episcopis Eliensi et Excestrensi, et aliis pluribus; unde in adventu eorum dominus Schal' et alii existentes in Turri London' sagittabant fundibila (sic) extra Turrim ad eos, sed nemini nocuerunt. Et predictus comes de Warwyk assignavit quemdam armigerum validum eum sufficienti adjutorio ad eustodiam predicti (sic) Turris ne inclusi exirent; sed cum predictus armiger navigaret sub muris Turris statim erat captus ab eis et membratim confractus &c. Unde, predictis dominis in itinere suo ad Regem tunc apud Northamton existentem progredientibus, cum ij legatis qui excommunicarunt certos dominos, contigit quod omnes venerunt ad exercitum Regis xº. dies mensis Julii ejusdem anni, et Eboracensis dux eum alio magno exercitu ibidem erat, ut creditur, fere C.M; et in conflictu facto die Mercurii ab hora iiija usque ad horam vjam interfecti erant dominus Umfridus dux Bokyngham et dominus Beemond, dominus Scherwysbery et plures alii. Dominus Egrimond et episcopus Hertfordensis decapitatus (sic); et postea dominus Scal' exiens extra Turrim Londoniarum captus erat in Tamysia et interfectus, et plures alii ibidem incarcerati.

Anno Domini Mo.ccccmo.lx, iij die et iiijio ante festum Sancte CAMD. SOC.

Katerine, tanta inundancia aquarum effluxit in comitatibus Huntyndon et Cantebr' et Northefolchie et in Insula Eliensi atque Sanctum Neotem quod quasi nunquam talis visa erat per prius; nam prostravit pontem cum magna parte hospicii et Fratrum a apud Thetford in Northfolch et pontes apud Cantebrigiam, currendo ultra et super rotas molendinorum aquaticorum ibidem, destruendo plures domos, intrando per fenestras earundem, apud Cantebrigiam, Cleyhethe, et Upwere et alibi, in tantum quod potuerunt navigare homines supra omnia calceta de Stunteney et Soham; et in Cancia et quasi per totum regnum Anglie.^b

Item, codem anno, die Martis post festum Natalis Domini venit dominus de Somershet filius c ad dominum ducem Eboracensem existentem apud castrum de Powmfr' prope Sothwerke, capta prius et concessa treuga usque feriam quintam post festum Epiphanie proximo sequentem; sed predictus dominus de Somershet, fracto federe pacis, repente et fraudulenter cum exercitu ibi prope in silva vel nemore abscondito, irruit super prefatum dominum ducem Eboracensem, et eum interfecerunt, et comitem de Salysbery et comitem de Roteland, capitaneum de Kent, et quendam fratrem ductorem belli, et alii (sic) quasi ix. milia hominum ex utraque parte, in loco vocato Wakfeld grene, et Sandynforde, et capita prædictorum dominorum suspensa erant super muros castri de Pownfray, et caput ducis erat coronatum cum [Added in another hand: etc., ut dicitur].

^a So in MS. Apparently a word omitted.

^b The last clause is imperfect, and appears to have been added afterwards, as it is in a different ink. In the margin also the scribe has written, "et in Denschire et quasi per totam Angliam."

^c A short illegible word, perhaps intended for "juvenis."

d So in MS. e Indistinct: may be xj., xij., or xvj.

f The same word apparently as before, but the reading is very doubtful.

g Half a line left blank in MS.

ductore belli, qui cum magno exercitu Scotorum, Wallensium, et aliorum alienigenarum et Northenmen, destruendo villas de Grantom, Stamford, Peterborw, Huntyngdon, Royston, Melleborn, et fere omnes villas per viam usque ad Sanctum Albanum, et ibidem prope villam Sancti Albani apud Luton quasi per unum miliare et dimidium a Sancto Albano, Nomannyslond vocat', Rex cum duce de Norfolk et comite de Warwyk et aliis, cum magno exercitu, tam de Cancia. Excessia et de Norfolch et Suffolch et al' quasi CC.Ml., et ibidem xix ve Burgundia. die predicti mensis bellum attemptatum, ex casu infortunato omnes ex parte Regis et populi australis victi redierunt retrorsum et fugerunt [quia ventus erat eis contrarius] a; eo quod quum Burgundenses sagittabant fundabilia sua ventus retorquebat ignem in proprias facies, et combusti et interfecti sunt ex illis xviij persone et alii ex utraque parte, quasi vij milia et v.c. Et predictus Andreas Trollop captus per viam et lesus est; Dominus Bonvyle et Thomas Curiel miles interfecti sunt. Et eo tempore dominus comes de March cepit dominum comitem de Pencebroch [et dominum de Wylschire] in quadam obsidione juxta Notyngham. Et dominus Willelmus Gray episcopus Eliensis eodem tempore misit pro hominibus omnium villarum suarum in Essex, Norfolch et Suff., et comitatu Cantebrigie, et cum xxxv. de Burgundiensibus cum fundibilibus et crosbowys ad custodiendum insulam Eliensem et castrum de Wysbech in manu forti et armata (per aquam, quia omnes marisci circa insulam erant submersi per magnam aquam), pre timore Northynmen, quia spoliabant plures villas, monasteria et ecclesias per viam, et aliorum auferendo equos, jocalia, utensilia, pannos, linthiamina, coeliaria, ollas et patellas eneas et de pleetro, et destruentes victualia per totam viam, ut predictum est ultra, et salvi ad North redierunt, ducentes secum Henricum Regem.

1460. Item, Edwardus comes de March filius ducis Eboraci erat ordinatus et constitutus in Regem London' quarto die mensis Marcii, Anno Domini Mo.cccc.lxo, Henrico Sexto predicto ablato per, dominam Reginam et alios dominos in partes Boriales usque Trent,

a Crossed out.

b Crossed out.

etc. Item, codem tempore comes de Warwyk interfecit apud Coventriam dominum Excestre, bastardum filium ducis de Bokyngham. Et j quarter' brasii vendebatur London' pro xiiij s. ut dicebatur.

Anno Domini M°.cccc.lxij°, quinto die mensis Novembris, videbatur stella comata in Australi parte circa horam quintam in mane, que extendebat radium sursum et scorsum ad modum gladii, et a alios radios habuit mirabiliter extensos, &c.

Eodem anno in mense Novembris Rex Henricus, Regina Margareta, dux de Somershed et dux Excestrie, et plures alii ab Anglia expulsi et fugati, conduxerunt plures alienigenas, Gallicos, Scotos et alios, ad ingrediendum partes Anglicanas contra Regem Edwardum iiij^{tum}; et Regina Margareta predicta cepit castrum de Anwyk et obsessa erat in castro de Banburw. Et cum cc. Anglici intrassent quandam parvam insulam in illis partibus ad succurrendum se si necesse fuisset, ipsis nescientibus, advenerunt cccc. de Francigenis ad eos includendos et capiendos, et subito in Anglicos irruerunt; sed capti et interfecti crant ex Francigenis cc. et plures, et alii fugierunt ut dicitur.

bAnno Domini M.cccc.liiijo apud Royston ut fide digni viderunt et dixerunt quod necessitate cogente propter carentiam pecuniarum quidam firmarius vendidit x. quarteria frumenti pro xx s., hoc est j quarterium pro xij d., j quarterium brasium (sie) pro xvij d.

1464. Thes tythynges hath my lord of Lyncolne, and the same be come to Stamford, and now be all pe contre, that on Wednesday, id est, on Seynt Markes day, a feld was taken be twen my lord Mountynghew on Kyng Edwardys party, and the lord Hungyrford, and many odyr on Kyng Herrys party. And per is slayn pe lord Hungyrford, Sir Raf Percy, Sir Raff Gray, the duk of Somershed, the lord Roos taken and Taylboos the crl of Kym and many odyr gentylys and comons slayn on that party. How many be slayn on Kyng Edward party is not spok of as yt.

a "et" repeated in MS.

^b See p. 151, note g.

April 25. The battle referred to is that of Hedgley Moor.

Thes be the names of dewkes, erlys, barons, and knytes beyng with owre soveryn lord Kyng Edward in hys jorny in to Scottlong at the fest of Seynt Andrew in be month of Decembyr, Anno Domini M^o.cccc.lxij^o.

The Duke of Northfok, the duk of Suffolk. Erlys.

ij.

vij.

The erl of Warwyk, the erl of Arundel, erl of Schrewisbury, erl Wysertyr, erl of Kent, the erl of Westhumbyrlond, be erl of Esex.

Barons.

The lord Grey Ruffyn, lord Hastynges, lord Grey Cottenor, lord Grey Wylton, lord Antony Scalys, lord Latemer, lord Herberd, lord Ferreys Charteley, lord Stanle, lord Wenlok, lord Greystoke, lord Oxyll, a lord Lomney, lord Glynton, lord Sowtwyk, lord Revers, lord Dakere of the Sowthle, lord Dakere of the North, lord Say, lord Cromwell, lord Cobham, lord Benerforth, lord Herry Bokyngham, lord Mowntener, lord Fyhew, lord De la Ware, lord Powes, Scrop of Bolton, lord Dodley, lord Storton, lord Burgeyny.

Milites.

Ser Per Ale, Ser Wyliam Stanley, Ser William Norys, Ser Thomas Mongorye, Ser Jon Fooge, John Howard, John Aschley, Ser Jamys Stannyewyssehe, John Scot, John Conyas, Raf Pygot, John Colvyle, John Hevyngham, Ser George Seynt Gorge, John Wyngfeld, Leonard Hastynges, John Savey, Thomas Mownforth, John Constabyl, William Reyner, Ser Raf Grey, William Everyngham, William Haryngton, William Bothe, William Hastynges, Ewrard of Bedoun, Thomas Fyndern, Roger Danby, John Grakyng-lix. thorp, John Boteler, John Acheton, Moreys of Berkley, Herry of Osey, John Stanley, John Grysseley, Thomas Nocston, Ser Pers Glyfton, John Hodyliston, Thomas Lampole, William Ale, William Marcham Dale, Ser Rychard Dokette, Thomas Crowen, Crystofer of Carowen, Thomas Garard, Thomas Acheton, Henry of Bolde, Peers Padolyse, Jaffery Gate, John Apylton, Thomas Malery, Thomas Feryr, John Swan, Peers of Grethorn, Roger Coneres,

Crystofer Coneres, John Gryffon, Robert Harecourte, and Ser Robert Constabyl.

Ad Conceptionem Beatæ Marye, Anno Domini Mo.cccc.lx . . . a Blyssyt be God, diverse of owre adversaryes be owre throwyn, and we undyrstond the privyte and fals ymaginacions of the French party. Also there is oon callit Jon Worby, of Mortlond, a spye, in the county of Herteford, servuant to Ser John Russel, in the county of Wysceter, takyn be the lord Suthwell, and the seyd aspye ther takyn hath confessyt the Kyng Herry, late Kyng of Inglond in dede but not in ryth, and sche that was queyn Margarete hys wyf, and Edward hyr son, the duk of Brytayn, Edward the duk of Burgoyn, Syr Wylliam Taylbos, the lord Roos, Sir Richard Tunstall, Thomas Ormond, Ser W. Catisby, Thomas Fykeharry. bes lordes and knytes be in Scotland with the Scottes. The duk of Exceter, erl of Penbrok, the baron of Burford, Jon Ayne. schal lond at Bumeryes be be appoyment of Robert Gold, capten of the duk of Burgoyn. Duk Herry of Calaber, the lord Hungyrford, the lord Morton, the duk of Somersete with lx M1 of men of Spayn. bes schal londyn in the coost of Norfolk and Suffolk. be lord Lewys, the duk of Spayne, Herry the dolfyn of Franch, Ser Jon Foskew, Ser Jon Russel of Wyceter, Ser Thomas Burtayn, the erlys brother of Denschyr, Ser Thomas Cornwaylys. Thes lordes and knytes schal londyn at Sandwych by ber appoyment. Than comyng after thes lordes and knytes byfore wryten to a siste them with al the powre possibill they may make; the Kyng of Fraunce wyth a C.M1, the Kyng of Denmark with xx M1, the Kyng of Aragon l M1, the Kyng of Navern with xx M1, the Kyng of Cesyl with xxv M1, the Kyng of Portyngale with x M1; the wych be appoyntyt to enter the reme of Inglond.

The Wednesday by fore Cristmasse, Anno Domini Mo.cccc.lxijo.

b In Castello de Banburw sunt dux de Somerset, comes de Penbrok, dominus de Roos et Radulfus Percy, cum ccc. hominibus.

^a Margin mutilated.

^b The whole of this part about the sieges in Northumberland is bracketed in the margin, and the words "Non scribuntur" written opposite.

At the seege of Hem sunt comes de Wyceter, comes de Arundel, dominus de Ogyl et dominus de Muntegew cum x M¹.

In castello de Anwyk sunt iij stat.(?) quorum nomina adhuc ignorantur, cum ccc. hominibus.

Istos obsident dominus Comes de Warwyk, comes de Kent, dominus de Powys, baro de Greystuk, dominus de Cromwell, cum x.M hominibus.

In castello de Dunstalborw sunt dominus Ricardus Dunstal, dominus Thomas Fyndern, doctor Murton, ballivus de Kam cum vj^{xx} hominibus.

Istos obsident dominus de Wenlok, dominus de Hastynges cum ij aliis dominis, eum \mathbf{x} m¹ hominibus.

Rex tenet Natale suum apud Dorham.

1462. Thes been the tydynges sent owt of Scotland that the Erl Dowglas hath done now late in the begynnyng of March, anno Domini M°.cccc.lxij°.

The worthy Erle Dowglas hath takyn of the Scottys the Erle of Creyforth, the Lord Lyle of Crayle, Lord Maxon', wardeyn of the West Merchen, Lord Wakeup, Lord Correy, Charlys Murrey, John Styward, Dolgotys brother, Lord Domelyn, Antrys hys brother of Hemyldon, Lord Cragge, Syr Robert Homyldon, Lord Preston, Lord [Charlys of Murrey], William Welles, knyght, Lord Crakkes brother and [Lord Currey], numbyr of xvij lordes.

And besyd bes ben takyn and slayn un to the numbyr of cccc at the Esthyl in Scotland, &c.

Anno Domini M.cccc.lxiij vendebatur quarterium frumenti pro ij s., quarterium brasii xxij d., et quarterium pisarum pro iij s. iiij d., et quarterium ordei pro xiiij d.

Eodem anno, ut dicebatur, vendebatur j quarterium de sigulo in Norfolch pro xij d.; et in aliqua patria, ut dicitur, j quarterium frumenti pro xx d., j quarterium brasii xx d. et quarterium ordei xij d.

1461. Nomina corum qui erant interfecti in die Palmarum et

die Lune sequenti apud Secton et Charoneros que distant ab Eboraco citra quasi per viij miliaria, Anno Domini Mo.cccc.lxj, scilicet:

Domina Regina cum principe filio suo.

Edwardus dux de Excestre.

Dux de Somersheth.

Comes de Northumbyrlond et Westhumbirlond.a

Comes de Schrewysbery.

Comes de Densehyre.

Dominus de Clyfford.

Dominus de Nevell.

Dominus de Welle.

Dominus de Scalys.

Dominus de Dakerys.

Dominus de Fyhu.^b

Dominus de Mullens'.

Dominus Henricus de Bokyngham.

Dominus de Bewmond.

Dominus Wilby.

Dominus Roos.

Dominus Gray Cotyner.c

Nomina militum.

Duo filii dueis de Excestre bastardi.

Dominus R. de Percy.

[Dominus Radulphus de Gray.]d

Dominus Johannes Heyron.

Dominus Gerwys Clyfton.

Dominus Edmundus Hammys.

Dominus Thomas Crakynthorpe.

a "et Westhumbirlond" (sic) is an interlineation, and is altogether an error. The Earl of Westmoreland was not slain at Towton, but lived for more than twenty years after.

b Fitzhugh.

c Cottnere in the cancelled list noticed below.

d Struck out.

Dominus Johannes Crakynthorp.

Dominus Willelmus Harylle.

Dominus Johannes Ormund.

Andreas Trollope.

Summa nominum omnium interfectorum dominorum, militum et aliorum per estimationem xxxvM¹.iiijxx et xj, ut dicebatur.

1461. [Nomina dominorum existentium ex parte domini Henrici vj^{ti} nuper Regis Angliæ apud prelium de Seton, ut supra dicitur.]^a (Here follows a list which is crossed out, pretty much the same as the preceding.)

Ex parte domini Edwardi Regis, Humfridus dux Nortfolch, dominus Edwardus Comes de Warwyk, dominus Fywater, Joh' Stafford, Henricus Raclyf de Framysden, et Rogerus Wolferston.

1461. In prelio ibidem interfecti sunt comes de Northumbyrlond, Comes de Denschire, Comes de Schrewysbery, dominus Nevel, dominus Clyfford, dominus Fyhew, dominus Wellys, dominus Dakerys, dominus Syvas (?), dominus Fytzhyth, dominus Malley, dominus Schalys, dominus Rogerus Mellyn miles, dominus Radulphus Piggate miles, dominus Henricus Norbochewe miles, Andreas Trollop, Davy Trollop et domina de Dytton, et multi alii milites armigeri et alii quorum nomina ignorantur, in numero quasi xxxiij milia et plures, seilicet:—

[Item, ex parte Regis interfecti sunt]^a Dominus Johannes Hotham, dominus W. Nerwell, duo bastardi de Exceter, dominus Ed' Hammys miles, dominus Johannes Crakynthorp, Johannes Burton, capitaneus Eboraci, dominus Thomas Krakyngthorp miles.

[Ex parte Regis Edwardi, dominus Fywater, Johannes Stafford, Henricus Raclyff de Framysden, et Rogerus Wolferston.]^b

Item, ut dicitur, Comes de Wylschir, doetor Mackerell, doetor Morton, et dominus Will' Plomtun adducti erant ad Comitem de Warwyk. Et decapitati sunt Comes de Denschire, Comes de Kyme, dominus Will' Hyll. cognatus Trollop, quorum capita suspenduntur supra portas Eboraci. Et nota quod istud bellum incepit apud

a Struck out.

b These words are crossed out.

Wentbrygge, et sic usque ad Ferybrygge, et campus in quo pugnabant vocatur Duntyngdale, juxta locum vocatum Charyngcross prope villelam vocatam Seton, &c.

Anno Domini M.CCCC^{mo}.lxj^o, xxviij^o die mensis Junii, scilicet iiij^{to} kl. Julii, contingente in die Dominica, Coronacio Regis Edwardi quarti Comitis de Marche, filii Ricardi ducis Eboraci apud Westmonasterium a duobus Archiepiscopis cum magna sollempnitate. Nam ibi erant plures Episcopi, dux Norfolch, Marischallus Anglie, Dux Suffolch, Seneschallus Anglie, dominus Georgius frater Regis, dux Clarencie, dominus Ricardus frater ejus, &c.

1461. Item, eodem anno, xxiiij^o die Julii, id est in vigilia Sancti Jacobi, contingente in die Veneris, pluit sanguis apud Pokrych et apud Ware, ut dicebatur.

Item, anno Domini M^o.cccc^olxj^o, in mense Novembris in festo Sancti Leonardi, obiit dominus Umfrydus Moubry dux Norfolchie.

Item, codem anno, in mense Februarii, arestati erant et adducti ad Regem et concilium suum London', abbas de Bury cum iii monachis ejusdem loci, dominus Thomas Tuddenham, Heydon, Harslston, et dominus T. Porter de Norfolch cum aliis; et eodem tempore circa festum Sancti Valentini dominus Ambry (Aubrey) filius comitis Oxonie erat suspensus et tractus London'. Et eodem tempore, ut dicitur, insurrexit quidam capitaneus qui cum iiijor milibus vel pluribus regnavit in Schirwode. Circa festum Cathedre Sancti Petri decapitatus erat comes Oxonie, Will' Terell, ex eo quod clam nitebantur insidias facere cum populo contra Regem Edwardum; nam quidam nuncius missus erat per illos et alios ad Henricum nuper Regem et Reginam et alios dominos in Scotia existentes cum literis proditorie, scilicet ut sequerentur Regem Edwardum equitantem in partem Borialem cum exercitu suo quasi pugnarent cum eo, et in bello essent contra eum, tam a dextris quam a sinistris, et post tergum ejus, ut sic eum Edwardum insidiose interficerent eum (sic). Contigit enim ut prefatus nuncius venisset in itinere suo ad quandam ecclesiam circa Northampton audire

missam, semper occurrit ad mentem suam ut rediret ad Regem Edwardum, nesciens veraciter quid ejus negocium proficeret, aut pro se vel contra se. Sie sepius die ac nocte hoc in suo pectore revolvens, domum ad se reversus, credens se magis Deo placere et animam suam salvare, omisso negocii sui itinere, cum nimia festinacione ad Regem Edwardum cum omnibus literis in suo kascat existentibus rediit, gratiam et misericordiam ab illo petens, qua a Rege concessa, totum processum Regi intimavit ac omnes literas ei demonstravit. Hoc omni comperto et cognito, Rex accepit copias omnium illarum literarum et remisit nuncium prædictum in itinere suo ut prius proposuit, precipiens ei, ut juratus erat, ut esset fidelis sibi, et post negocium, si posset, rediret ad Regem, &c. Quo recesso Rex statim misit pro dominis et aliis qui proditorie cum decipere nitebantur, in quos judices Regis executiones impleverunt ut supra.

Anno Domini M.cccc.lxij post Pascha contigit quendam puerulum quasi xj annorum etate in crepusculo ire in stratam circa novum collegium Cantebrig'a et Clare Halle vel aulam Sancte Trinitatis ibidem; ubi obviam habuit quendam senem, ut sibi videbatur, cum prolixa barba et debili vestura; quo viso puerulus, nimio terrore territus voluit aufugere nec potuit leviter. Cui senex dixit, "Veni istuc proxima nocte isto tempore noctis et dicam tibi aliqua nova." et recesserunt ab invicem. Secunda nocte similiter obviaverunt ut prius, sed puer valde erat timidus in ejus aspectu. Tertia nocte, ut videbatur sibi, non potuit eligere, sed potius coactus rediit ad eundem locum. Cui senex dixit "Vade jam et dic cuicumque quod infra istos duos annos erit tanta pestilencia et famis ac interfectio hominum quanta nullus vivens vidit perantea;" et hoc dicto recessit. Spiritus ut credebatur, nam puerulus postea examinatus et interrogatus per Magistrum W. Mylcton, Theologie doctorem, et alios. dixit quod non vidit nec audivit illum senem super terram ambulantem, &c.

a King's College.

A BRIEF LATIN CHRONICLE,

BEING THE CONCLUDING PORTION OF A WORK ENTITLED

"COMPILATIO DE GESTIS BRITONUM ET ANGLORUM."

[From MS. Arundel 5, College of Arms.]

Henricus vj^{cus} filius predicti regis Henrici apud Windeleshore in festo Sancti Nicholai episcopi et confessoris natus, in etate ix mensium et xv dierum, regnare cepit supra dicto ultimo die Augusti. Et in dominica die in festo Sancti Leonardi Abbatis, Anno Domini Millesimo cccc°.xxix°. et anno regni sui viij° apud Westmonasterium coronatur, Domino Henrico Wintoniensi episcopo tunc cardinali tituli Sancti Eusebii ibidem presente. Et anno regni sui decimo idem rex apud civitatem Parisiensem ixº die Decembris etiam coronatur, presente ibidem cardinale supradicto. Anno autem ——a hujus regis fuit prelium apud Vernoll in Perche inter Johannem ducem Bedfordie regentem Francie et Francos ac Scottos. cum dicto duce fuerunt Comes Sarum, Comes Southfok, dominus Wylughby, dominus Scales, dominus Ponynges, Willelmus Oldale cum retinencia ducis Exonie tunc infirmi. Et in dicto bello ex parte Francorum captus est dux de Launson; occisi vero sunt ibidem bastardus de Launson, Comes de Navern et Comes de Marre-Ex parte autem Scottorum perempti sunt Archibaldus Comes de Douglasse, Comes de Boghan. Comes de Marre, Comes de Murrey, Jacobus Douglas filius dicti comitis, Alexander Lyndesey miles; Willelmus Douglas de Danlanryk, Matheus Pork, Hugo Orth, milites, et alii quam plures, tam de Francis quam de Scottis in ipso

^a Blank in MS. ^b Drumlanrig.

bello et fuga ad numerum vij M^1 et ultra. Postea vero in foveis diete ville inventa sunt, ut dieitur, iiij M^1 submersa.^a Et super his omnibus semper Deo gratias.

Anno xiiij^o hujus regis Henriei Philippus dux Burgundie, contra fidelitatem suam, villam Calisie obsidiavit cum magno apparatu et multitudine populi copiosa; fuerunt enim ibi, secundum estimacionem, plus quam c. milia virorum. In tentoriis et pavilionibus x m¹, in magnis gunnis xxviij, in eressetes ardentibus in nocte vij m², in gall.^b vij m¹, in parvis gunnis vocatis ribaldis vij m¹, in erosbowes x m¹, in carectis xij m¹.

Pro qua quidem obsidione dissolvenda transfretavit Dominus Humfridus, dux Gloucestrie, eum quam pluribus magnatibus et proceribus ac multitudine populi ad numerum lx m¹, Calisiam usque properans. Sed ante ipsius adventum, Comes de Morten et Dominus de Cammysh cum suis ad numerum ij M¹ di. dictam villam Calisie tutissime eonservantes illam obsidionem infra dies paucos viriliter confregerunt et plurimos ibidem occiderunt. Qui quidem dux Burgundie cum suis, cognito quod dux Gloucestrie cum tanta potestate Anglorum in proximo adventaret, veritus et confusus, celerrime capit fugam. Postea vero quam predictus dux Gloucestrie Caliam a venisset, exinde in Picardiam et Flandiam per dies xi procedendo villas combussit. Ubi etiam Comes Huntingdon et sui villam de Popering cremaverunt ac plurimos peremerunt, et circiter festum Sancti Bartholomei Apostoli proximo sequens Dux Gloucestrie memoratus ac magnates cum proceribus et populo suo in Angliam prospere remearunt.

Anno eodem, infra mensem proximo sequentem quo prefatus dux Burgundie villam Calisie taliter obsedisset et inde gratia Dei profugatus fuisset, Jacobus rex Scottorum perjurus Castro de Rokesburgh in Northumbria cum suo exercitu, ut fertur, ad numerum c m¹ et ultra, obsidionem opposuit; ubi nichil profecit. Nam prenobilis ille miles Radulphus Greye, cum lxxx viris strenuis, dictum castrum fortiter eustodivit et dicto regi Scottorum et exercitui suo

a So in MS. b "Gally-gun, a kind of culverin."—Halliwell.

viriliter restitit. Audito autem quod Archiepiscopus Eboracensis, episcopus Dunelmensis ac Comes Northumbrie cum maxima potestate borealium eisdem obviare infra breve proponebant, rex prefatus et suus exercitus territi et confusi protinus aufugerunt. Et circiter mensem Martii extune proximo sequentem idem rex, iniqua suasione ac consilio Comitis de Athel, avunculi sui, et aliorum sibi in hoc favencium, per quemdam Scottum, Willelmum Grame vulgariter nominatum, et quosdam alios, nocte quadam, dum se rex ad lectum disponebat, camisia et braccis solummodo indutus, improvise territus et in cloacam proprie camere fugatus, cum spatis crudeliter et inhumane est occisus. Fertur enim ipsum circa xxx vulnera in corpore habuisse, quorum vij letalia videbantur. In evidenciam cujus rei quidam legatus apostolicus in Scotia tunc existens dictam camisiam postmodo Domino Pape, ut dicitur, deferebat. Benedictus sit Dominus Deus qui tam sepius servulos suos eripuit de manibus querencium eis mala, perjurosque et pacem turbantes confudit et evertit!

Anno Domini millessimo CCCC°.xlv., xxx die mensis Maii coronatur Margareta filia regis Cecilie in reginam Anglie apud Vestmonasterium. Sed advertendum est quod infra breve post contractum factum cum dicta Margareta in partibus transmarinis per Willelmum ducem Suthfolk, amissa est Cenomannia cum Andegavia. Deinde paulatim (quorum prodicione aut ignavia novit Deus) amissa est tota Normannia cum civitate Parisius, &c. Deinde similiter amissa est Burdegalia cum tota Vasconia, &c. Ad cujus recuperacionem missus est nobilis ille belliger Comes Salopie cum filio suo, domino de Lyel, et aliis, qui viriliter eam recuperaverunt. Sed, quod dolenter refero, incaute seu capitose se dantes cuidam conflictui cum Francigenis, ibi interfecti sunt, et readquisierunt Francigene omnia que illic erant, et sic adhuc pacifice detinent.

Anno Domini millesimo CCCC°.lvij°. spoliata est villa de Fowe in Cornubia per piratas; et eodem anno in mense Augusti spoliata est villa de Sandwiche per piratas, et naves et pene omnia bona mobilia in utrisque villis abducta sunt.

Anno Domini millesimo ccceº.lvijº. et lviij extitit quidam nomine Raginaldus Pokok, nacione Wallieus, sacre theologie doctor, et Cicestrensis episcopus, ingenio quidem et scientia satis clarus, et in primeva etate reputatus boni regiminis, et honeste fame; hic tamen posterius, instigante Diabolo, proprio nimis innitens ingenio, proprie salutis et aliorum factus quasi immemor, postposita, imo quasi fere rejecta, priori innocencia, et in multis fide spreta catholica, sanctorum doctorum et patrum sanctiones et dieta, imo scripture sacre supereminentem veritatem quasi pro vili habens, dictamen rationis humane in multis extulit super hee omnia. Unde sic, velut secundus Lucifer supra ceteros estimans se et extollens, veteres quasdam pestiferas hereses damnatas renovavit, novasque satis noxias superadjecit, quarum multas, tum propter earum enormitatem, tum propter aliorum infirmorum scandalum, sileneio committendas esse sacius estimo quam dicendas. De Eukaristia divinissima protervissime sensit, et Sanctum Dionisium pro se allegavit, qui tamen Dionisius plane in contra scripsit. Ecclesiastica divina officia per sanctos patres disposita, et a multis sanctis probateque vite viris a din in ecclesiis usitata ad Dei laudem et fidelium salutem, vilipendit; quattuor articulos simboli sacro-saneti omisit, &c.ª

Has et quam plures alias asserciones frivolas et hereticas in ejus libris sparsim inventas, et publice apud Lambyth coram Domino Cantuariensi Archiepiscopo, episcopis, doctoribus et clero inibi assistentibus prelatas et sibi objectas, non negavit se dictus Raginaldus dictasse, tenuisse, ac per se et suos precones propalasse, et alios quam plurimos eisdem infecisse. Examinate igitur diligenter et mature ibidem dicte hereses, et alie quam plurime, per Dominum Thomam Cantuariensem archiepiscopum, episcopos, doctores, et reliquum elerum damnate sunt, et multi de libris ejus hereticis publice combusti sunt; quidam Oxon. in processione generali, quidam autem in cimiterio ecclesie Cathedralis Sancti Pauli, London. Ubi et idem Raginaldus dominico die tempore sermonis omnia hujusmodi dogmata perversa et heretica publice in scriptis abjuravit, anathema-

a Here three lines are left blank in MS.

tizavit, abrenunciavit, canoniceque correccioni se subjecit. Unde et episcopatu Cicestrensi privatus, vite private seu solitarie adjudicatus est. Multi tamen ejus doctrina pestifera infecti, permanserunt in errore.

Circiter istud tempus Jacobus rex Scocie populum suum nobiliter rexit, fures et oppressores cohibens, agriculturam amplians, sanctam (?) justiciam servans. Hic anno Domini 1460, cum suo exercitu obsedit castrum Rokisburgh et per propriam gunnam suam diruptam, cui astitit, interfectus est. Exercitus tamen ejus idem castrum prostravit et recessit

Anno Domini millesimo cccco lvij., sacro tempore quadragesimali, London' facta est concordia inter Dominum Ricardum ducem Eboracensem, Comitem de Warwyc, et comitem Sarum, cum suis, ex parte una, et ducem Somersetie, et Comitem Northumbrie et dominum Clifford, cum suis, ex parte altera, per illustrem regem Henrieum et alios dominos regni spirituales et temporales; gravis enim, et periculosa dissensio orta fuerat inter predictos dominos super interfeccione quorundam dominorum apud villam Sancti Albani; quorum interfeccio inquietans et accendens corda multorum, satisfactione quadam facta, prestante Altissimo, partim sopita Sed non diu permansit. Nam anno Domini millesimo cccco.lixo, insurrexerunt iterum predicti domini, scilicet Ricardus, dux Eboracensis, comes Merchie, filius ejusdem ducis, comes Sarum, comes Warwyc, cum grandi comitatu, et juxta Ludlaw eirciter festum Saneti Edwardi Confessoris, ad bellum campestre se parabant. sic convenerant ad reformandum mala regni, aut sui ipsorum salvam custodiam, vel quavis alia causa, novit Deus. Contra quos rex ipse cum proceribus regni et copioso exercitu in bellum properavit; mora autem ibi facta, recesserunt multi a duce et comitibus et regi se submittentes ad graciam ejus recepti sunt. Dux autem Eboracensis cum predictis dominis et paucis de suis, relicto in nocte campo, celerem fugam inierunt. Dux namque Eboracensis cum paucis Hyberniam adiit; tres reliqui comites cum paucissimis usque Calisiam navigio pervenerunt. Confiscantur interim eorum predia, diripiuntur alia bona. Interim inter ducem Somersetie, capitaneum castri de Geynes, cum suis, et Calisienses, facti sunt interdum conflictus, et multi corrnerunt.

Eodem anno, circiter festum Sancti Edmundi Regis et Martiris, convocato parliamento apud Coventre, indictati sunt ibidem dicti Dux et tres Comites cum aliis multis militibus et magnatibus super grandi prodicione et declarati pro ateyntid traytours per dominos illius parliamenti; et ea que per dictos ducem et dominos de insurreccione sua apud villam Sancti Abani in priori parliamento approbata sunt, in isto penitus sunt cassata. Et in festo Sancte Agnetis proximo sequente, dicti Dux et domini in civitate London. publice proclamati sunt pro ateyntid traytours, et sic manserunt usque circiter festum Sancti Johannis Baptiste proximo sequens.

Anno Domini millesimo cccco.lxo, circiter festum Nativitatis Sancti Johannis Baptiste, redierunt predicti tres comites in Angliam cum comitatu mediocri, et multi, audito corum adventu, adheserunt eis. Civitatem London. infra octavas Apostolorum Petri et Pauli pacifice ingressi sunt, et, quibusdam ob scelera sua in Chepa decapitatis, duo comites iter versus regem arripuerunt. Et in festo Sanctorum Septem Fratrum, facto congressu juxta Northamptone, favore eujusdam domini ex parte regis regale tentorium ingressi sunt et victoriam obtinuerunt. Ubi interfecti sunt, ex parte regis, dux de Bokyngham, comes Salopie, dominus Beaumount, dominus Egremund, cum aliis, et multi ex ea parte fugientes submersi sunt. Rex vero cum comitibus Merchie et Warwic, London. honorifice reductus, in pallacio episcopi Londoniensis hospitatus est.

Interim, domino Scales cum multis aliis Turrim London, servante, factis jacturis gunnorum in extra existentes obsessores Turris et nautas in Tamesi, multi interfecti sunt. Tandem, reddita Turre predicta Johanni Wenloc militi obsidenti eam, dominus Scales in nocte Sancte Margarete volens in cimba evadere ab insidiantibus sibi, captus et interfectus est. Et infra breve Thomas Browne miles cum aliis quinque qui super extorcione rapinis et prodicione damnati sunt apud Tyburne decapitati sunt.

Hoc etiam anno, circiter festum Nativitatis Beate Marie, dux CAMD, SOC.

Eboracensis cum suis de Hibernia in Angliam rediit; et parliamentum apud Westmonasterium circiter festum Sancti Dionisii inchoatum erat. In Crastino Sancti Dionisii idem dux ad Vestmonasterium veniens ense erecto palacium regale ingressus ibi hospitari elegit. Adductis evidenciis quibusdam, se verum heredem corone et regni Anglie asserebat; cujus evidencie in illo parliamento palam ostense in summa tenor talis erat:—

Edward be brid, rigth Kyng of England, had eschew, scilicet, Prince Edward (j filius), William Hatefeld (2), Lyonell (3), Jon of Gawnte (4), &c. Prince Edward had Richard ij, wich died with owte ysew. William Hatefeld died with owte ysew. Lyonell duke of Clarence had ysew lawfully begete, Philipp hys only dow; ter and eyre, be wich was lawfully coupled to Edmund Mortimer, erle of Marche, and had ysew lawfully begete, Roger Mortimer erle of Marche and eyre; wich Roger had ysew Edmunde (j filius), erle of Marche, Roger (2), Anne and Alynor; wich Rogere, Edmund and Alynore died with owte ysew. And be seyd Anne, by be sacramente of matrimony cowpled unto Richard erle of Chambryg, be sone of Edmund of Langeley, had ysew and lawfully bare Richard Plantagenet now Duke of 30rk. Jon of Gaunt gate Harry wich unry3thfully entretid Kyng Richard pen beyng olywe, Edmund Mortimer, erle of Marche son of be seid Philipp dowster to Lyonell. To be wich Richard Duke of 30rk and sone to Anne dowster to Roger Mortimer, erle of Marche, sone and eyre to be seyd Philipp dowster and eyre to be seyd Lyonell be brid sone of Kyng Edward iij. be ry3th and dignite of be corone apertenyt and belongitt afore any ysew of be seyd Jon of Gaunt. Notwithstondyng be seyd titull of dignite of be seyd Richard of York, be seyd Richard, desiryng be wele, reste and prosperite of Englond, agreit and consentitt bat be Kyng Harry vi be had and takyn Kyng of Englond duryng hys naturell liffe fro his tyme with owte hyrte of his titull, &c.

Where fore pe Kyng, understondyng pe seyd titull of pe seyd duke, juste, lawfull, and trew and sufficiente, be pe awise and assent

a Interlined in another hand.

of hys lordys spirituell and temporele and be comyns in be apparlement and by be autorite of be same parlement, declarith, approwithe ratificat, confermitt, and acceptit be seyd titull just, good, lawfull and trew, and bere wnto gifeat hys assent and agreement of hys free will and liberte. And over bt, be be seyd awyse and autorite, declariat, calliat, stabiliat, affirmiat and reputiat be seyd Richard of York very trew and riatfull eyre to be corons of Englond and France. And bt all ober statutes and actes made by any of be Harrys late contrary to bs awise be anulled, repelled, damned, canceld, woyd and of no forse or effecte, &c. The Kyng agreitt and consentitt bt be seyd Duke & hys eyres shall after hys naturell lifte rejoise be corons, &c. Also bt all seynges and doynges agens be Duke of York shall be hye treson, and all actes of parlementes contrarye to bis principall acte be woyde and of none effecte, &c.

Cassata et anullata sunt in hoc parliamento ca omnia que contra dietum ducem Eboracensem, comites, et alios eis adherentes in parliamento priori apud Coventre edita sunt aut decreta, et restituti sunt dieti domini dux et comites, cum sibi adherentibus, terris suis, prediis et juribus prehabitis. Cassata sunt insuper et anullata in hoc parliamento omnia que statuta seu decreta sunt per Henricum iiij in suis parliamentis quo ad successionem sue sobolis in regnum et coronam Anglie, cum ipse intrusor esset, et jus hereditarium corone et regni Anglie pertineret ad Philippam filiam Leonelli filii tercii Edwardi iij, et per cam ad comitem Marchie et heredes suos ut supra.

Prorogato parliamento, iste dux Eboracensis (cum filio suo Edwardo), a et comes Sarum (cum filio suo Thoma), a eum decentiapparatu iter ceperunt versus partes boreales ad sedandas turbulencias ibidem et malefactores castigandos; unde ad villam de Wakefeld venientes in sancta ebdomada Nativitatis Dominice, in crastino Sancti Thome Martiris ad pugnam se parabant. Sed declinante jam die, sive incuria et negligencia sua, sive fraude et fuga magne partis sui exercitus, cum proceribus et valettis plurimis interfecti sunt per ducem de Somersett, dominum Clifford, dominum Newyle, &c., qui cum ferocibus belligeris in illos crudeliter irruerunt; quorum domi-

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norum interfectorum capita, ut dicitur, super muios civitatis Eboracensis obprobiose et dissone (?) nimis sunt exposita. Hoc tempore commissa est custodia Turris London. certis Aldermannis et civibus ejusdem civitatis.

Quibus ita patratis rex Henricus cum duce de Northfolk, Comite de Warwic et aliis dominis et magno exercitu versus boream properabat. Vento autem ad villam Sancti Albani, occurrerunt eis dux Somersetie, dominus Clifford, &c. cum suo exercitu; et conserto gravi prelio xiijo kl. Marcii, sc. in die Carneprivii, multi inde et hinc interfecti sunt.

Et fugientibus plurimis ex parte regis, fugam etiam inierunt dux Northfolk, Comes Warwic, Comes Arundell, dominus Boughsher, dominus de la Ware, cum multis aliis. Regem Henricum sic in campo derelictum accedens dux Somersete cum ceteris dominis, &c. recepit in suam, ut ita dicam, tutelam seu custodiam. Dominus autem Bonwyle et Dominus Kyre, a cum viderent hujuscemodi casum et fugam suorum, attoniti regi se submiserunt. Quos et ipse libenter suscepit in graciam; attamen, omni equitate seposita, nequicia quorundam decapitati sunt.

Facti sunt tunc insultus et inclamationes satis superbe per boreales belligeros adversus cives Londonienses, quibus illi viriliter resistentes, quosdam eorum occiderunt; reliquos in fuge latebras compulerunt, auxiliante Altissimo, cui sit laus perpes et humillima graciarum accio. Hac tempestate sevissima Borealium latronum prevalente, multe domus religiosorum, multe ecclesie, multi burgi et ville per eos nequiter spoliate sunt; nec impune, ut infra patebit. Decreverant etenim Boreales illi predicti, promittentibus hoc eis dominis suis, ut nominatissimam illam civitatem Londoniarum cum provinciis adjacentibus spoliarent, vastarent et subverterent; quod et ex verisimili perpetrassent, si non singularis gracia Christi Jesu servulis suis celerius consolatorem et laude dignum destinasset defensorem.

Tercio namque kalendas Marcii illustrisimus ille princeps Edwardus, pro tunc Comes Merchie dictus, auditis prius his civitatis London. et vicinarum provinciarum periculis, post victoriam inimi-

corum suorum in partibus celitus Wallie adeptām, adjuncto sibi Comite Warwic, cum grandi comitatu pacifice London, est ingressus. Secessit interim rex Henricus cum ducibus, comitibus et belligeris Borealibus versus Boream et Eboracum usque pervenit.

Edwardus autem predictus ijo die Marcii proclamari fecit London. articulos concernentes jus suum ad coronam regni Anglie; et sequenti die, convocatis dominis spiritualibus et temporalibus illic presentibus, expressi sunt predicti articuli coram cis et approbati. Quarto autem die ejusdem mensis post processionem generalem London, solenniter factam, episcopus Excestrensis ad crucem Saneti Pauli sermonem fecit satis laudabilem, titulumque dieti Edwardi ad regnum Anglie multiplici evidencia patefecit; objeccionibus que in ejus oppositum fieri possent patulo respondit, et eas excussit. Completo sermone isto eximio, dominus Edwardus cum dominis spiritualibus et temporalibus et magna populi frequencia eodem die ad Westmonasterium equitavit; ubi in Westmonaster hall sedis regalis possessionem suscepit. A monachis quoque ibi cum processione sibi occurrentibus honorifice receptus est. Commendato eidem per cosdem sceptro regali, possessionem in regis palacio obtinuit. Nec dum tamen inunctus est aut regio diademate insignitus; sed his decentissime peractis, ad locum suum London., congaudentibus populis, remeavit.

Facta interim sagaci provisione pro magna pecuniarum levanda copia, dictus Edwardus cum duce Northfolk, comite Warwic, domino Fawconbrigge, in copioso exercitu septentrionales oras petierunt. Cum autem pertransita Trenta prope Ferebrigge, advenissent, quoniam exercitus regis Henrici non longe a dicta villa aderat, ad pugnam se protinus preparabant. Die igitur sacratissime Dominice Palmarum, post meridiem, inter Ferebrigge et Tadeaster, accedentibus aciebus utriusque exercitus ut mutuos ictus confligendo ingererent, plurini equestres armaciores ex parte regis Edwardi terga vertentes et dicti Edwardi cariagium et annonam hostiliter auferentes effugerunt. Sed rex Edwardus virili animo suos animavit ad certamen; dux quoque Northfolke, Comes Warwie, dominus Fauconbrigge, cum suis turmis

audacter in adversarios irruentes, plurimos prostraverunt, et horrendam stragem eis intulerunt, multis ex parte sua occisis. Cumque post diutinam pugnam belligeri Boreales, cernentes se imbecilliores, fuge presidio se commisissent, insecuti sunt eos viri acriores ex parte regis Edwardi et magnam cedem eis intulerunt; plurimi quoque ipsorum Borealium per aquas evadere querentes submersi sunt. Numerum interfectorum ibi solus veraciter cum suis civibus novit Deus; secundum tamen estimacionem plurium numerus corum excedebat [xxviij M¹].^a Domini multi et milites multo plures cum plebanis ibi pariter corruerunt.

Fugientes duces Somersete et Exetrie cum reliquis, insecutus est dominus Edwardus cum suis dominis et exercitu, et Eboracum usque pervenit; eos tamen minime comprehendit, quia Rex Henricus et ipsi domini prius fugerant ab Eboraco ut alibi locum presidii sibi obtinerent. His ita Dei gracia peractis, dominus Edwardus, relicto in Borea domino Fawconbrigge cum militibus et armata manu ad tutelam illius patrie, per Coventriam London' reversus est, apud Lambythe hospicium eligens. Interim Scotti in Berwicum admissi sunt a rege Henrico. Deinde dominus Edwardus a Lambythe usque ad Turrim London, veniens, creatis ibi militibus de Balneis, die sabbati proximo sequenti a Turre London. cum dominis et militibus per Chepam equitans Westmonasterium usque pervenit, ubi in die dominica, scilicet in vigilia Apostolorum Petri et Pauli, in regem Anglie eo honore quo congruit et ordine decentissimo coronatus est. Qui etiam, gloriam glorie volens superaddere, in festo Commemoracionis Sancti Pauli, in ecclesia cathedrali ejusdem London. processioni et misse coram magna populi frequentia cum dominis suis spiritualibus et temporalibus, corona insignitus regali satis interfuit apparatu. Deinde rex Edwardus Cantuariam peregre profectus partes meridionales pertransiit, b ubi Willelmum episcopum Wintoniensem de manibus querentium animam ejus eripuit, insectatores suos graviter redarguit et eorum capitaneos carcerali

^a A pen has been run through these figures.

b pertinusiit, MS.

Bristollie approperans, a civibus ejus cum custodie mancipavit. maximo gaudio honoratissime receptus est. Et in breve ad Westmonasterium veniens, ibidem anno Domini millesimo ccce^{mo}.lxi. ij nonas Novembris solenniter parleamentum suum inchoavit, ubi indictati et attevntati sunt Henrieus vocatus unper rex Anglie cum Margareta consorte sno; duces etiam Somerset et Exetre, cum aliis militibus et nobilibus, ad numerum quasi centum personarum. Eodem anno, circiter festum Purificationis beatissime semper Virginis Marie, facta est conspiratio contra dictum dominum regem Edwardum per Comitem Oxon. et filium ejus, Tudnam, Terell, Mowgomere, eum aliis, ut in parte Esexie introducerent ducem Somersetie per navigium cum hostili exercitu ad eversionem regis Edwardi et suorum. Sed succurrente Altissimo, priusquam propositum suum perficerent, deprehensi sunt, et, cassatis frivolis machinacionibus suis, Comes ille eum filio suo et aliis London decapitati sunt. His diebus Henrieus cum Margareta et filio suo Edwardo in Scotia commorati sunt, et villa de Berwyke sub dieione Scottorum erat longo tempore. Circiter festum Sancti Mathie dominus rex Edwardus, versus Boream iturus, festum Pasche solenniter celebravit Leyeestrie, et pretextu resistendi adversariis grandes pecuniarum summas per sua privata sigilla a viris spiritualibus et temporalibus, clericis et servientibus levari fecit.

Anno Domini millesimo cccco,lxijo sexto die mensis Maii solutum est predictum parleamentum; et codem anno circiter festum Nativitatis Sancti Johannis Baptiste capte sunt treuge ad tempus modicum inter Anglos et Scottos, fraudulenter ex parte Scottorum, prout palam postea patuit.

Hoc quoque tempore emissi sunt multi belligeri eum domino Fauconbrigge ad maria scrutanda et servanda, qui parum proficientes in breve remearunt. Rex Edwardus pro materia eujusdam vidue rapte discucienda in propria persona in bancho suo regali Westmonasterii, assistentibus sibi cancellario et justiciariis, &c. proprium locum tenuit.

Eodem anno, circiter festum Omnium Sanctorum, percurrente rumore de adventu regine Margarete cum copiosa multitudine Francigenorum, Scottorum, et Anglorum sibi adherentium, precessit festine prenobilis ille belliger Comes de Warwik cum suis, et subsecutus est rex Edwardus ut eam cum complicibus suis effugarent. Que fuga inita tuciora quesivit presidii loca.

Rege Edwardo in partibus illis residente, obsessa sunt per nostrates castra illa de Bamburghe, Alniwyke et Dunstanburgh; quorum duo reddita sunt in manus comitis Warwic circiter festum Natalis Domini; subjeceruntque se Dux Somersetie et dominus Radulphus Percy, cum suis, domino regi, et in graciam recepti sunt.

In aurora Ephiphanie venerunt Scotti cum Francigenis aciebus densatis ad tercium castrum, scilicet Alniwyke, nostris non audentibus eis resistere, et secum tulerunt multos illic inclusos de consociis suis; et sic in breve redditum est illud castrum in manus nostrorum, Francigenis remanentibus gratis abire permissis. His peractis recessit dominus rex Edwardus, relicto ibidem ad tutelam patrie comite Warwic, &c.

Et in hac tam longa mora tocius pene milicie Anglicane illic adversus adversarios nostros congregate, quid, queso, memorabile, quid laude dignum actum est, nisi quod predicta tria castra capta sunt? Et comes Warwic cum paucis campum tenens curiose viriliterque Scottos cum suis excuciens, protegente eum gratissima, ut solito, Dei dextra, illesus permansit. Qui et infra breve cum aliis dominis, Boream relinquens, ad dominum regem Edwardum London. venit; epulantibusque illis London., et nescio quid agentibus, invaserunt Scotti cum Francigenis castrum de Bamburgh, et ipsum occupaverunt, cum aliis duobus castris.

Anno Domini millesimo cccco.lxiij, xxix die mensis Aprilis inchoatum est parleamentum apud Westmonasterium; et interim dominus Radulphus Percy et Dominus Radulphus Greye, cum suis, fracto suo juramento, relicto rege Edwardo, ad partem Henrici redierunt.

Mense Junii, die xviij°, prorogatum est parleamentum usque ad ______b et que mala ibi repressa aut reformata, vel quid boni ibi adauctum nescio.

Hoc anno, post Pentecosten, prenobilis ille comes Warwic ad

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Boream rediens dominos et milites eum reliquis belligeris colligens, partem regis Henrici eum Scottis, Francigenis, &c. infestare disposuit. Qui cognito celeri a ejus adventu, campum linquentes, tergaque vertentes, vecorditer aufugerunt.

Hoc tempore convocatus clerus provincie Cantuariensis concessit ut quilibet sacerdos stipendiarius diete provincie capiens pro annuali stipendio x marcas conferret ad subsidium regis Edwardi xiij s. iiij d.; unde plurimi gravati murmurabant, tum quia pauperes erant, tum quia pecunie taliter a sacerdotibus extorte raro vel nusquam ad aliquem felicem effectum proveniunt, quin potius ad confusionem et dedecus eis utentium. Nam et post festum Nativitatis beatissime Marie semper Virginis rex Edwardus grandem exercitum advocavit, adversarios suos terra marique subjugare disposuit. Nescio tamen quid in illo viagio profecerit. Et comes de Worcester cum suo navigio et marinariis litoribus maris et portubus quasi latitantes, annonasque suas consumentes, infecto negocio vacui cum dedecore remearunt. O infelix successus, opprobrium et confusio!

Circiter hec tempora quarterium frumenti vendebatur Oxon. et [in] ^b patria illa pro ij solidis; unde et ruricole super precio parvulo iterato murmurabant.

Dux Somersetie, in conversacione sua et promissis instabilis, relicto rege Edwardo cum paucis ad regem Henricum confugit, &c. Rex Edwardus, consiliariis accitis, minuit pondus nummismatis argentei. et auxit valorem aurei, adeo ut unum nobile aureum valeret viijs. iiijd.

Hie etiam rex Edwardus redditus et proventus collegiorum corum nobilium, scilicet Beatissime Marie semper Virginis de Eton et beati Nicholai Cantibrigie, per bone memorie Henricum Sextum fundatorum et nobiliter ditatorum, etc. in suas manus suscepit. Partem tamen aliquantulam eis restituens, unde pauperiorem quam solite ducerent vitam, vasa argentea multa et summam magnam pecunie ab eis exegit et cepit. Bullis papalibus obtentis, collegium illud celebre de Eton. cassare proposuit; quod tamen, ut estimo, beatissima Virgo Maria nondum ad effectum deduci permisit.

^a celebri, MS.

^b Om. in MS.

c argenta, MS.

Anno Domini millesimo cccco lxiiijo, epulante rege Edwardo cum dominis suis London., per belligeros regis Henrici capta sunt castra de Norham et Shipton in Crawyn; et in breve processit rex Edwardus versus Boream ut amissa recuperet et habita defendat. Quid tamen utile ibi gesserit nescio. Cumque tempora multa sic vacua lucris et tediosa, inaniter vexatis legiis regis, sibi paulatim succederent, prenobilis dominus, dominus Georgius, pro tunc Exeterrensis episcopus et Anglie Cancellarius, condolens tantos labores et sumptus inani dispendio et damnoso esse consumptos, assumptis viribus, maturo consilio super his infortuniis reformandis prehabito, divine gracie se et regni negocia commendans, ad consolandum et animandum fratrem suum, dominum Johannem de Mowntagw, iter versus partes Boreales fiducialiter arripuit. Et in breve, Domino de Mowntagw cum suis belligeris arma potentibus resumente, cepit paulatim pars Henrici succumbere. Secundo namque die mensis Maii dominus de Mowntagw cum suis comitibus conflictum iniit cum duce de Somersett, domino Roos, domino Hungarford, domino Radulpho Percy, domino Radulpho Greye, domino Ricardo Tunstall, domino Thoma Findern, cum aliis capitaneis exercitus regis Henrici et vulgo multo; et, interfecto illic domino Radulpho Percy cum aliis quibusdam, reliqui fuge presidio evaserunt.

Quintodecimo insuper die ejusdem mensis Maii Dux Somersett, dominus Hungarford, dominus Roos, armiger ille Treilboz a cum suis complicibus, graviter ferentes suam repulsam et propositi prioris frustracionem ad bellum campestre juxta Exham, iterum spe fruende victorie convenerunt. Quos dominus de Mowntagw cum suis, quasi subito insiliens, dictum ducem et dominum Thomam Findern, dominum Egremound, bastard Waynsford, etc. cepit et tutele arte b commisit. Die Mercurii proximo sequenti capti sunt per dictum dominum Mowntagw cum suis dominus Edmundus Fysh, miles, nuper seissor Eboraci, Bernardus de la Mare, dominus Roos, dominus Hungarford, dominus Phillippus Wentworth, Willelmus Penyngton, Husy miles; qui omnes decapitati sunt.

^{*} Sic, pro Tailbois.

b i.e. arctæ.

Deliberata sunt in breve domino de Mowntagw castra de Langeley pe Tawne turris de Exham, castrum etiam de Bywell. In quo quidem castro inventum est le helmet regis Henrici cum corona et gladio et faleris dicti Henrici. Et quomodo ant quo ipse evasit, novit Deus, in cujus manu corda sunt regum.

Deliberatum est etiam regi Edwardo castrum de Shipton in Crawen.

Quintodecimo decimo a die mensis Maii apud Exham decapitati sunt dux Somersett, Edmundus Fizthu miles, Bradshaw, Wauter Hunt, Blac Jakis.

Decimo septimo die mensis Maii apud Novum Castrum decapitati sunt dominus de Hungarford, dominus Roos, dominus Thomas Fynderne, Edwardus de la Mare, Nicholaus Massam.

Apud Medelham xviij die mensis Maii decapitati sunt dominus Philippus Wentworth, Willelmus Penyngton, Warde de Topcliff, Oliverus Wentworth, Willelmus Spilar, Thomas Hunt, le foteman regis Henrici.

Apud Eboracum xxv^o die mensis Maii decapitati sunt dominus Thomas Husye, Thomas Gosse, Robertus Merfyn, Johannes Buttlere, Rogerus Water, janitor regis Henrici, Thomas Fenwyke, Robertus Cocfeld, Willelmus Bryte, Willelmus Dawson, Johannes Chapman.

Apud Eboracum xxviij die mensis Maii decapitati sunt Johannes Elderbek, Ricardus Cawerne, Johannes Rosell, Robertus Conquerore. Interim etiam captus est ille armiger Treilboz et decapitatus.

Quibus peractis, dominus de Mowntagw factus est Comes de Northumberland. Capta sunt tunc castra de Bamburgh et Dunstanburgh eum ceteris et redacta in possessionem Regis Edwardi; et dominus Radulphus Greye eum ceteris illie inventis capitalem accepit sentenciam, capite ejus pontem Londoniarum adornante in vertice quasi lancee.

Et sie invalescente brachio regis Edwardi et principatum per regnum obtinente pene cassata est fortitudo et milicia regis Henrici. Regina Margareta has procellas precavens, incola elegit fieri transmarina. Adhuc villa de Berwyk remanet sub Scottorum dominio.

Anno Domini millesimo CCCC. M°lxiiij° estas fervida valde et diurctica faciem terre adustam a gramine, herbis et ordeo, etc. fecit pene sterilem. Et subsecuta est eodem anno frigiditas horrida in yeme, homines molestans et pecora.

Hoc anno in insula de Ely estate torrida exorte sunt musce grandes, venenose, cornute, cum aculeis que, pecora percucientes et homines quosdam, ut asserebatur, eos protinus perimebant. Hoc insuper anno, circiter festum Sancti Michaelis, quidam frater Carmelita a Christi Jesu supereminentissime dominacionis et sue proprie salutis immemor, spiritu ductus elacionis et protervie, ad crucem Sancti Pauli London, predicavit et publice proclamavit, dominum Jesum Christum celi et terre Creatorem et Dominum in propria venientem misere mendicasse. Cujus errori devio favit provincialis b ejusdem ordinis, lectura et sermone publice ejus dicta maledica confirmando cum ceteris doctoribus et fratribus ejusdem, quibus et Jacobite quidam procaciter adherebant. Quibus quoque multi theologi seculares cum Catholicis juristis, spiritu veritatis edocti et ducti, unanimiter, et predicando et lecturis publicis restiterunt, et sic hec materia, fratribus ultra pro tunc prosequi cessantibus, silencio commendatur.

Hoc etiam anno in festo Apostolorum Philippi et Jacobi duxit rex Edwardus in uxorem Elizabetham filiam domini de Rivaye (?)^c et ducisse Bedfordie.

Anno Domini millesimo cocc^{mo}.lxv°, xxvj° die mensis Maii, scilicet in festo Sancti Augustini, Anglorum Apostoli, apud Westmonasterium, supradicta Elizabeth coronata est in reginam Anglie. Et creati sunt tunc multi milites de balneo, inter quos quidam mercatores civitatis London. milicie dignitate insigniti sunt.

Hoc etiam anno, circiter festum Petri et Pauli, captus est Henricus

^a Friar Harry Parker. See Gregory's Chronicle, in Coll. of a Lond. Citizen, 228.

^b This must be Dr. Thomas Halden. See Gregory, ib.

[°] Rivers, of course, is the name, but the spelling in the MS. is doubtful.

Sextus, nuper rex Anglie dietus, et publice per Chepam London. cum aliis secum captis, duetus usque ad Turrim London. ibique honorifice commendatus custodic mansit.

Hae insuper estate orta lite inter regem Francie et fratrem ejus commota sunt bella, et Dei gracia infra breve sedata.

Hoc quoque anno circiter festum Assumpcionis beatissime Marie semper Virginis misit dominus Papa, Paulus Secundus, bullam suam in Angliam, insinuans prelatis Anglie heresim illam pestifere asserentem quod Christus publice mendicavit esse antiquitus a Romanis pontificibus cum suis consiliis damnatam et eam pro damnata universe (?)^a declarandam et conculcandam.

Hoc etiam anno multitudo latronum in variis Anglie partibus debachans multas ecclesias et alios legios regis spoliavit. Francigene quoque cum aliis adversariis regni Anglie per mare prevalentes, Angligenis damna multimoda intulerunt.

Isto quoque anno, circiter festum Sancte Scolastice Virginis peperit regina Elizabeth Regi Edwardo filiam, vocatam Elizabeth.

Anno Domini 1467, in ebdomada Pentecostes venit in Angliam bastardus Burgundie dimicaturus certamine singulari cum domino Antonio, domino de Scales; factisque in Smythfeld, London, barris et tentoriis, &c., in festo Sancti Barnabe, ingressi locum dictum quasi ludentes congressi cito cessaverunt. Et alii quidam post eos inibi congressi immunes a plaga recesserunt.

Hoc anno pax per treugas facta est inter Anglos ex parte una et Gallos, Britannos atque Scottos ex parte altera. Abundabant tunc in Anglia furta, homicidia et mala multa. Hoc etiam anno peperit Regina Elizabeth Regi Edwardo secundam filiam. Hoc quoque anno circiter festum Sancti Michaelis, et diu post, facta est gravis valde inundacio pluviarum impediens agricolas, itinerantes magnis periculis aggravans, &c. Venti etiam tunc horrendi acciderunt, submergentes naves, arbores et domos evertentes.

In principio quadragesime istius anni solute sunt treuge inter nos et Francigenas.

Anno Domini 1468 concessit parleamentum domino Regi duas quintasdecimas, et convocatus clerus concessit unam decimam, et etiam nobilia a sacerdotum, que raro aut nunquam ad felicem pertingunt effectum. Hoc anno etiam Thomas Coke, mercator et miles, captus est, pretensa prodicione contra eum, et graviter multatus, receptus est in graciam. Thomas Plummer etiam, mercator et miles, accusatus de prodicione, satisfactione prehabita, ad graciam regis rediit.

Hoc anno, circiter festum Sancti Johannis Baptiste, transfretavit Margareta soror Regis Edwardi et uxor ducis Burgundie effecta est.

Hoc etiam anno Comes de Wircester multa laude digna peregit in Hibernia, et castrum forte b in Wallia per dominum Harbard c captum est, et dominus Ricardus Tunstall cum ceteris ibi inventis captus est et in Turri London. clausus, qui tamen in breve graciam a rege consecutus est. Duo nobiles ex illic captis decollati sunt.

Hoc anno dominus Antonius Scales, dominus Walterus Blownt, tunc dictus dominus de Mowtjoye, circiter festum Translacionis Sancti Edwardi Confessoris, cum multis milibus armatorum, naves ingressi et tempestatibus magnis turbati, nichil proficientes, in Angliam cum dedecore redierunt.

Hoc insuper anno circiter octavas Epiphanie ———— d Cowrteneye Comes Devonie et dominus de Moleners sive de Hungerford convicti super prodicione decollati sunt.

Hoc quoque anno peperit Regina Elizabeth Regi Edwardo terciam filiam.

Anno Domini 1469, circiter festum Sancte Trinitatis, surrexit quidam, nomine Robin of Redisdale cui associati sunt multi, quasi peticionarii petentes multa corrigi in regno. Contra hos circiter festum Translacionis Sancti Thome Martiris collegit paulatim rex Edwardus exercitum, volens eis occurrere.

^a So in MS., apparently for *mobilia*, though the same error occurs in a marginal note.

^b Harlech.

c William lord Herbert.

d Blank in MS.

Et cito post eum surrexit alter, nomine Robin of Holdernes, eum complicibus suis, petens Comitatum Northumbrie restitui legitimo heredi; quem captum fecit comes pro tune Northumbrie decollari, et disparsi sunt congregati sui.

Iloc etiam anno in vigilia Saneti Jacobi Apostoli, facto conflictu militum et belligerorum borealium contra dominum Harberd cum suis Wallensibus, ceciderunt hine et inde multi; et dominus Harberd cum duobus fratribus suis captus est, et infra breve apud Northampton decapitatus est. Hie W. Harberd, gravissimus et oppressor et spoliator ecclesiasticorum et aliorum multorum per annos multos, hane tandem justi Dei judicio pro suis sceleribus et nequiciis recepit mercedem. Die Sabbati proximo ante Assumptionem beatissime semper Virginis Marie captus est Dominus de Rywans cum domino Johanne filio suo, et juxta castrum de Kelingworth pariter decollati sunt.

Anno Domini millesimo lxx°, circiter festum Nativitatis Beate Marie regressi sunt in Angliam dux Clarencie, comes de Warwie, cum multis aliis, qui paulo ante per regem Edwardum in Franciam propter suas rebelliones effugati fuerant, et in Devonia applicantes exercitum colligerunt. Edwardus autem, videns eorum audaciam, fugit eum paucis in Flandriam, ubi a duce Burgundie honorifice est susceptus. Et in festo Sancte Fidis Virginis dux Clarencie, frater Regis Edwardi, et comes de Warwie, cum ceteris dominis, regem Henricum de Turri London educentes, regali apparatu indutum per Chepam usque ad palacium episcopi London. perduxerunt. Hoc anno Cantigene consucta nequicia agitati insurgunt et multos in Sowthwerk, London. spoliant, et infra breve recesserunt.

His diebus captus est ille trux carnifex et hominum decollator horridus, comes de Wiccester, et in Turri London. incarceratus, et in breve prope dietam turrim decapitatus, et apud Fratres Predicatores juxta Ludgate obscure sepultus. Interim, circiter festum Sancti Edwardi Martiris, in quadragesima, rediit in Angliam rex Edwardus, et in breve, recepto duce Clarencie ad graciam, circumivit et congregavit multos; et in Cena Domini London. pacifice cum duobus

fratribus suis et magno comitatu ingressus est Tunc fama volante quod comes de Warwic cum suo exercitu adventaret, rex Edwardus cum suo exercitu contra eum in Sabbato Sancto Pasche properavit, et in aurora Sanctissime diei Pasche (heu et proh dolor!) inito certamine juxta villam Barnett, ceciderunt hinc et inde multi; et comes de Warwic, cum fratre suo, et multis aliis dominis et nobilibus cum plebanis, ibi interfectus est; et corpora dicti comitis et fratris sui perducta London., in ecclesia Sancti Pauli nuda jacuerunt publice aliquandiu, et postea sepulture comendata sunt.

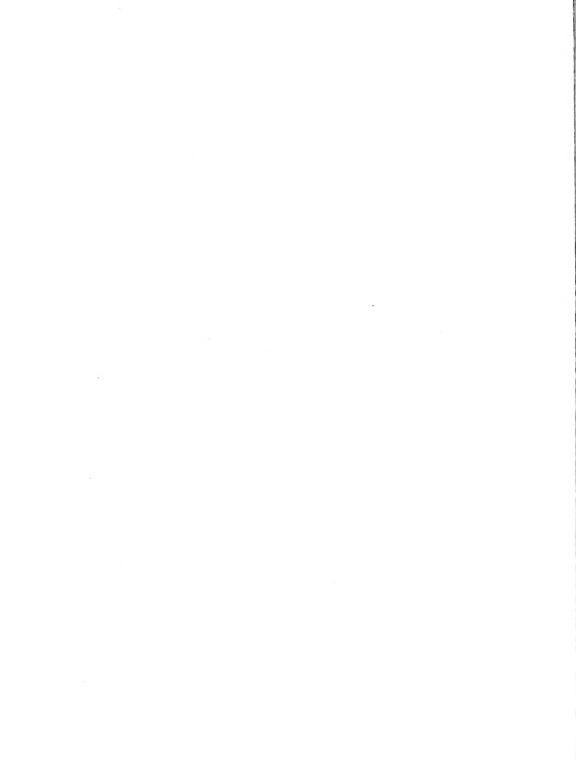
Anno Domini 1471°, circiter festum Sancti Georgii, [Rex], audito quod Regina Margareta cum Edwardo filio suo et aliis dominis et proceribus multis in partibus occiduis Anglorum applicuisset, et quod multi ad eam confluerent, cum suo exercitu etiam adversus eos festinavit, et juxta Tewkisberi acriter in eos insiliens multos trucidavit, et quosdam nobiles ibi captos decollavit. Nomina precipuorum ibi interfectorum sunt hec:—Edwardus filius Regine Margarete, comes Devonie, dominus Johannes de Somersete, dominus Johannes Wenloc, Henricus recorder de Bristow, cum multis aliis. Nomina decollatorum ibidem sunt hec: dux de Somersete, prior domus Sancti Johannis in Smythfeld, London., dominus Hunfredus Awdelaye, cum multis aliis.

Margareta olim Regina ibi capta, cum uxore filii sui, et London. in curru deducta et in custodiam tradita est. Creati sunt statim post istud bellum plures quam xl^a milites; et Henricus nuper Rex reponitur in Turim London., et in Vigilia Ascensionis Dominice, ibidem feliciter moriens, per Tamisiam navicula usque ad abbathiam de Cheltesye deductus, ibi sepultus est.

Cancigene cum bastardo Fawcunbrigge et nautis ejus insurgentes, insultus iterum fecerunt in Londonienses graviores quam solito et walvas porte nove super pontem London. cum domibus quibusdam adjacentibus combusserunt, et similiter alias juxta Algate succenderunt. Sed per dominum Antonium de Scales et dominum Duraste cum civibus London. viriliter eos aggredientibus plurimi eorum inter-

^a This word is evidently omitted.

fecti sunt, et quidam capti et reliqui in fugam versi sunt; et bastardus predictus cum suis predonibus et piratis et navibus recessit. Et Rex Edwardus feria tercia Rogacionum London, adveniens cum potenti exercitu, extra civitatem aldermannos multos in milites creavit; et in die Assensionis Domini ad vesperam Rex Edwardus cum suo exercitu ad Cancigenas corrigendos iter arripuit; et videntes se insufficientes ad resistendum ei, subdiderunt se ci. Et cos Rex et bastardum predictum cum multis aliis recepit in graciam; alios autem maleficos convictos capitali damnavit sentencia. Et ad Westmonasterium reversus ibi festum Pentecostes celebravit.



NOTES.

I.— The Earthquake of 1382, page 49.

As to the meaning of the enigmatical lines "A post Dunstanum," &c. see Dr. Simpson's *Documents illustrating the History of St. Paul's Cathedral*, p. 59, note, and Appendix, pp. 219-221.

II.—Christopher Margrave of Baden, pp. 133, 136.

With regard to this person and his wife Cecily, Dr. von Weech of Carlsruhe has favoured me with the following particulars:—

Margrave Christopher II., of Baden, son of Margrave Bernard III., was born after his father's death, on the 26th Feb. 1537. In the division of territory with his brother, Margrave Philibert, in 1556, he received the lands of Baden in the duchy of Luxembourg, and became the founder of the separate line of Baden at Rodemachern. He took part with the army of Philip II. of Spain in the war with France, and fought at the battle of St. Quentin. In 1561 he made a journey to Sweden, and there was betrothed to Cecilia, daughter of Gustavus Wasa, and sister of King Eric XIV. Hereupon in the service of Sweden he took part in the war with Denmark in 1563, in command of a body of German horse. In November 1564 his marriage with the Princess Cecilia took place at Stockholm, with whom he thereupon departed to his possessions in the Netherlands, and took up his abode at Rodemachern. In the year 1565 he and his bride paid a visit to Queen Elizabeth in England; but he himself remained at her court only a short time, leaving his bride behind him alone in straitened circumstances. The latter, on the 17th Sept. 1565, gave birth to Prince Edward Fortunatus. To enable her to continue her expensive abode at the English Court, the Queen, on the 22nd Nov. 1565, 188 NOTES.

granted the Margrave a pension of 2,000 French crowns of the sun, which was paid to him every year in quarterly payments out of the Treasury at Westminster. But this contribution was not sufficient for the Margravine's expenditure at Court. She contracted serious debts, and the Margrave accordingly came again to London in 1566 to take her away. The creditors, however, took notice of his object, and detained him as a prisoner. Only when the Queen gave security for him did he venture to depart.

Margravie Christopher died at Rodemachern on the 2nd August, 1575. Margravine Cecilia did not die till 1627.

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